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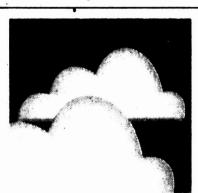




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Locke, Allison new PEDC picks

PAMPA — Doug Locke and Bill Allison are the newest members of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation board of directors. They were selected Tuesday, evening by the Pampa City Commission. They replace Jerry Foote and Darville Orr, both of whom resigned recently.

'Female-on-female' harassment suit settled

HOUSTON (AP) Lawyers for an X-ray company have agreed to settle what is reported to be the first time a Houston business has been sued for what attorneys called "female-on-female" sexual harassment.

River Oaks Imaging and Diagnostic was sued on Nov. 15 by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission after five women employees complained that a female supervisor touched them, made vulgar comments of a sexual nature and peeked into restroom stalls. One of the employees was fired a week after she complained, the EEOC said.

On the same day the lawsuit was filed, the EEOC filed a consent degree it reached with the company. U.S. District Judge Nancy Atlas approved the settlement on Nov. 21, and the decree was entered into the court records on Monday.

River Oaks denies the allegations but wanted to settle the matter to avoid the expense and nuisance of litigation, said Jeff Wray, a lawyer with Fulbright & Jaworski, representing River Oaks Imaging.

• R.E. 'Bob' Martin, 78, retired manager of Wheeler-Evans Grain Elevator.

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Friends of the Library want to cut down five large locust trees at Lovett Memorial Library and replace them with trees that don't shed bean pods.

Commission to determine fate of 5 trees

By KATE B. DICKSON **Associate Publisher**

To cut down or not to cut down five big trees at Lovett Memorial Library - that is the question.

And it is one that left most Pampa City Commissioners closed-mouth during Tuesday's work session at City Hall.

But it's expected they'll speak up come the Dec. 11 meeting when the tree matter will be on the agenda as an action item.

At issue is a proposal by the landscaping committee of Friends of the Library which would remove the locust trees, some of which shed bean pods, and replace them with new trees. Vera Plunk, landscaping com-

mittee chairman, said any new trees planted would be "large"

trees that will cost about \$800

The Friends undertook a project to beautify the grounds of the library and so far they've spent \$21,000 in that effort, Plunk told the Commission. The work includes everything from installation and future maintenance of a sprinkler system to an array of plantings.

Plunk said bean pods from some of the trees fall onto the roof of the building causing the gutters to stop up and the pods also cause locust sprouts to grow on the lawn.

At the first Commission meeting this month, Commissioners learned of the plan to cut the trees down and by consensus agreed to it.

(See COMMISSION, Page 3)

Swine resolution on county agenda

Hog waste disposal at issue A resolution to urge the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission to strengthen hog waste disposal methods will

again be on the Gray County Commissioners Court agenda. The meeting is Friday at 9 a.m. at the temporary county courtroom at 315 N. Ballard.

County Judge Richard Peet said Wednesday morning he wants to see a diversified group of county residents appointed Friday to a committee to investigate the need for more stringent

"I would like to see what the full impact would be to such a resolution," said Peet. "I would like to see city and country residents on such a committee as well as pig people and cattle peo-

He also indicated he wants Gray County Extension Agent Danny Nusser as well as other agricultural leaders and civic leaders involved.

Precinct 2 County Commissioner Jim Greene first discussed on Oct. 15 enacting a resolution regarding swine industry requirements for facilities in Gray County.

The rough draft version presented by Greene stated protection

(See SWINE, Page 3)

'Job' has no pay, no work Out-of-date posts still on books

By NANCY YOUNG . Managing Editor

Two currently vacant positions will be among the other public offices to appear on the Gray County voters' ballots in the 2002 elections.

But there is a catch. Neither position — Inspector of Hides and Animals and County Surveyor — is budgeted to receive a salary. Also, there are no longer any responsibilities of either office holder. It appears both positions probably have stayed on the books long past the necessity for them.

Lynn Bezner was the last County Surveyor elected to the office in Gray County.

. "The position has really outlived its usefulness," said Bezner, who was County Surveyor from 1987 until 1995.

. Created by the Texas Constitution, the past surveyors surveyed properties when the counties were first organized.

Bezner said there are no responsibilities to the office anymore. "Surveying any property within the county that the state of Texas has an interest in

is one of the main responsibilities," he said. "Gray County doesn't have any of those properties, so the position isn't necessary anymore.

The former County Surveyor told of voters in a South Plains county several years ago electing a resident to the position after it had been vacant for a number of years. However, Bezner said a County Surveyor must be a registered surveyor so the victor had to vacate the office as he didn't meet qual-

"It's just a title anymore," said Bezner. "The County Clerk's office is the custodian of the survey records here. That's where the records need to be for the public to have access to them."

Many counties in Texas have had a constitutional amendment passed to do away with the position, said Bezner. "We just haven't gotten around to it yet," he said. "I've talked to State Representative Warren Chisum about doing something about it; but we just haven't done what needs to be done to get it abolished."

Former Gray County Judge Carl Kennedy said the County Surveyor "was once a very important (See 'JOB', Page 3)

Friday's PEDC meeting may be lengthy session

A lengthy session to discuss items related to the shut down of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation is likely at the 7:30 a.m. meeting Friday morning.

The meeting will in the Pampa City Hall Conference Room on the

second floor.

Two board members, Doug Locke and Bill Allison, were appointed Tuesday by the Pampa City Commission. Locke and Allison will join Dalton Lewis, Gary Sutherland, and Steve Phillips as they complete the board appointments. The selec-

tions follow the resignations of veteran members after voters decided Nov. 6 to shut down the Economic Development Corporation. Agenda items include: discuss projections on income and debt retirement, review and approve disposition of assets including nego-

tiations on leased equipment and office lease and set regular meeting date, time and place. Consideration of contacting project recipients and designating a contact person or persons for PEDC and insurance coverage, includ-

ing D&O coverage and existing policies.

Also on the agenda is approval of accounts payable.

Teens nabbed in flag burnings

Four teen-agers were turned over to juvenile authorities in connection with the burning of two American flags in Pampa in late

Police officers said that four 13-year-olds were turned over to juvenile authorities this week after admitting to burning two flags.

Officers said the four told officers they were walking home when they saw a flag. They said they pulled on it, and it ripped. They then set fire to it. After setting fire to the first flag, officers said, the four told authorities they saw a second flag on a pole, yanked it down and

Wendell Shults, 35, 2137 N. Banks, and Peggy Dennis, 62, 2200 N. Nelson, told police an American flag in front of each of their homes was burned between 5 p.m., Sept. 22 and 5 a.m., Sept. 23.

Officers said the two flag burnings were apparently unrelated to the still unsolved burning of the American flag at the Freedom



Pampa News employees Carrie Ellis, left, and ReDonn Woods decorate the office's Christmas tree with "Angels" provided by the local Salvation Army. The newspaper staff asks its readers to help with the project by coming to the office at 403 W. Atchison, selecting an "Angel," buying the gifts listed and returning the packages by Dec. 18. Here's an example for Jimmie. He's 3 years old and needs sleepwear, houseshoes, pants, socks, a shirt sweater, coat, gloves and cap. He'd like a toy car or truck, too. If you can't buy all the items listed for your "Angel," go in with a friend or two to complete the selections.



Chamber of Commerce Parade ... Centennial Christmas Theme ... Thursday, November 29th, 6:30 P.M. Call For Details 669-3241 Chamber Luncheon Tuesday, Nov. 20th. Come Back To Christmas Saturday, Dec. 1st. Chamber Prayer Breakfast Dec. 4, 6:45 a.m.

Daily Record

Obituaries

R.E. 'BOB' MARTIN

WHITE DEER - R.E. "Bob" Martin, 78, died Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2001, at Amarillo. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Martin was born Jan. 20, 1923, at White Deer and was a lifelong resident of the community, graduating from White Deer High School in 1941. He married Juanita Smith on May 20, 1943, at Pampa; she died March 18, 1988. A farmer and rancher, he also managed Wheeler-Evans Grain Elevator for 27 years, retiring in 1988.

He was a member of United Methodist Church of White Deer, White Deer Lions Club — serving as District 2T1 Tail Twister for many years, White Deer Riding Club and White Deer Senior

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving with the 4th Infantry Division during World War II and attaining the rank of sergeant.

Survivors include three sons, Cavin Ray Martin and David Micael Martin, both of White Deer, and Robin Martin of Amarillo; a brother, Bruce Martin of White Deer; a sister, Dorothy Lou Conrad of White Deer; and three grandchil-

The family requests memorials be to United Methodist Church, 101 W. 8th St., White Deer, TX 79097; or to White Deer Senior Citizens, 319 S. Main St., White Deer, TX 79097.

Fires

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, Nov. 27 12:03 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters

responded to a motor vehicle collision at Harvester and Duncan streets.

12:27 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1100 block of North Starkweather.

7:15 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a carbon monoxide check in the 300 block of Roberta. None was found.

Emergency numbers

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669-5700
1-800-750-2520
669-5830

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, Nov. 27 A domestic assault without injuries was report-

ed in the 1000 block of Huff Road. A domestic dispute involving a suspect possi-

bly armed with a gun was reported in the 2600 block of North Hobart. No weapon was found. A representative of Frank's Thriftway, 300 E.

Brown, reported theft of seven packages of nasal decongestant. Someone took \$20 worth of gasoline from the

Allsup's, 309 N. Hobart, without paying.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro made the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Tuesday, Nov. 27

11:22 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the Clyde Carruth Pavilion at Recreation Park; no

11:59 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Duncan and Harvester for a motor vehicle accident and transported one to PRMC.

12:21 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of Starkweather and transported one

9:01 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of Lefors; no transport.

Wednesday, Nov. 28 2:27 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2300 block of Duncan; no transport.

Stocks

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provided by Attebury Grain	Enron	2.95	dn 1.19	
		Halliburton	21.35	dn 0.51
Wheat	2.44	KMI	48.01	dn 0.62
Milo	3.46	Kerr McGee	51.98	dn 0.52
Corn	3.64	Limited	13.75	dn 0.08
Soybeans	3.60	McDonald's	26.95	dn 0.07
Oil Sunflowers	8.30	Exxon Mobil	37.04	dn 0.31
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		Pioneer Nat		dn 0.07
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Puritan	17.74	Tenneco	1.69	NC
		Triad Hospitals		up 0.19
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Celanese17,90	dn 0.13			
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People in the news

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Actress-model Rebecca "Double Live" sold just over 1 million its first week Gayheart pleaded no contest to misdemeanor in 1998. vehicular manslaughter for the death of a 9-yearold boy she struck with her car in June.

The former "Beverly Hills 90210" star wiped Bindman sentenced her to three years of probation, suspended her license, imposed a fine and ordered her to produce a safe-driving video.

Gayheart, 29, didn't speak during the short hearing Tuesday, but defense attorney Harland Braun said the actress was saddened by the death of Jorge Cruz Jr.

"She's taking it very hard," he said in an interview. "Obviously, it's the worst thing that could happen to somebody."

With the plea, Gayheart avoided a possible jail sentence.

Police said several cars had stopped to allow the youngster to cross a street when Gayheart's Jeep entered a left-turn lane to pass slowing cars and struck him. Witnesses estimated the Jeep was moving at more than 40 mph.

The actress expressed "sorrow and regret" for on. the accident, and paid for Cruz's hospitalization and funeral.

Gayheart, whose film credits include "Scream 2," "Urban Legend," "Jawbreaker" and "Shadow Hours," is being sued by the boy's parents for negligence and wrongful death. Their lawyer contends she was talking on a cellular telephone when her company and moved to Paris 10 years ago. vehicle hit the boy.

composer Aaron Jay Kernis has snagged another award — this one from the University of Louisville.

Kernis, 41, won the school's 2002 Grawemeyer Award for Music Composition for his cello concerto "Colored Field," officials announced Tuesday.

Kernis was inspired to write the piece after visiting the Nazi concentration camps Auschwitz and Birkenau. The 40-minute composition is about "translating very complex feelings into another medium of expression," he said.

The prize includes \$200,000 and a gold medallion. The music prize is the first of five that claim in February 2000 and ordered the Spice Grawemeyer awards to be given by the university this year. It is endowed by industrialist H. Charles Grawemeyer, a 1934 alumnus of the university's Speed Scientific School.

'Colored Field" premiered at the Minnesota deal was signed. Orchestra last year with cellist Truls Mork. Kernis is the new music adviser for the orchestra.

In 1998, Kernis won a Pulitzer Prize for his "String Quartet No. 2, Musica Instrumentalis."

On the Net:

http://www.louisville.edu/ur/onpi/grawe-

meyer/winners/index.html NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Garth Brooks' new disc, "Scarecrow," which debuted at the top of the

charts last week, was the best debut of a country music project since his live album three years ago. "Scarecrow" was released on Nov. 13 and sold approximately 466,000 in its first week. Brooks' seeking additional damages from the Spice Girls.

Sales of country music have been flat for the past

five years.

"Considering business conditions for country away tears as Superior Court Commissioner Gary music, obviously (the Brooks) record stands headand-shoulders above the rest," said Wade Jessen, the editor of the country chart for Billboard magazine. "This is a very big opening week."

On the Net:

http://www.garthbrooks.com/

LONDON (AP) - John Galliano, the cuttingedge British designer at the French fashion house of Dior, collected the title Commander of the British Empire from Queen Elizabeth II, and praised the monarch's dress sense.

"I think she's sublime, fantastic," Galliano said. 'She has created a style of her own — so has (her mother) the Queen Mother."

Galliano said he had "fantasized about designing for them both, but I don't think I could take that job

The 40-year-old designer attended his investiture at Buckingham Palace on Tuesday clad in a traditional morning suit, but wore no shirt.

He was born in Gibraltar, but his family later moved to London, where he won a place at St. Martin's School of Art. He started his own design

Princess Diana wore his first dress for Dior, a dark-blue lacy creation likened by some to a petti-LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Pulitzer Prize-winning coat, at the fashion house's 50th anniversary party in New York in 1996.

> LONDON (AP) — The Spice Girls, taking their dispute with an Italian scooter maker to the Court of Appeal, denied that they knew of Geri Halltwell's imminent departure when they signed

> an endorsement deal. The pop group had sued Aprilia for \$316,000 in unpaid fees from the company's \$835,000 sponsorship deal for a 1998 world tour.

> But High Court Justice Mary Arden dismissed

Girls to pay the company's legal bills. Relations between the group and the Italian com-

pany turned sour after the sudden departure of Ginger Spice" in May 1998, just a month after the As part of its tour promotion, Aprilia made a

Spice Sonic scooter with a silhouette of all five members on it. That product flopped when Halliwell left the group, the company said.

Attorneys for the group argued Tuesday that Halliwell had said she would not be leaving until the end of an American tour in September that year and this would have had no effect on the contract. But she changed her mind and quit without warning in May.

Attorneys for the group also argued that the Spice Girls had not discussed Halliwell's departure before the Aprilia agreement came into effect.

Aprilia is also appealing the lower court ruling,

Texas round up

ice, snow converge on state

DALLAS (AP) - Gloves, scarves and parkas made an early winter debut across much of Texas as an arctic blast barraged the state, leaving a dangerous sheen of ice on some bridges and highways. But so far, the worst of the storm has been a trail

of fender-benders along the roads and red noses for those who ventured into the cold.

An upper-level storm system that was forecast to away move south over the state had slowed late Tuesday, extending the threat of freezing rain and sleet for the Dallas-Fort Worth area through early Thursday morning.

Temperatures were expected to linger near the freezing mark for most of Wednesday in North Texas, said Lonnie King, meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Fort Worth.

"Temperatures will drop to near freezing by sunrise and will remain there all day (Wednesday)," King said. "Chances for freezing rain and sleet will remain into Thursday."

into snow Wednesday night.

Icy patches on bridges and overpasses were expected throughout the day, making driving conditions hazardous, King said.

Temperatures were still above freezing in North Texas on Tuesday night, with only small amounts of freezing rain falling in parts of the area.

Lawsuit over medicine goes to trial

HOUSTON (AP) — An attorney for drug manufacturer Warner-Lambert Co. told a jury it was diabetes, not Rezulin, that killed a woman in January 2000, one day before her 59th birthday.

The wrongful death case is among the first lawsuits around the country to go on trial involving the diabetes medication. It is blamed in the deaths of several people, including Norma Culberson of Houston.

Jack Urquhart, representing Warner-Lambert, said in his opening statement Tuesday that Culberson, diagnosed with diabetes in 1987, was prescribed more than 50 medications and suffered from several health ailments that led to her death, including kidney problems that required dialysis. Urquhart said Culberson suffered kidney and liver failure, among other ailments.

Culberson's death certificate listed her cause of death as "renal failure due to diabetes," Urquhart said while projecting a copy of the certificate on a

But attorneys for Culberson's two daughters, Laura Mercado and Penny Culberson Litzman, said Warner-Lambert failed to warn the U.S. govern- Press, ment, physicians and patients of a "significant design defect" in Rezulin that produced cases of serious liver damage and death from 1997 until March 2000 when the drug was pulled off the mar-

Fleming said the diabetes pill was a cure to the company's financial woes.

Player dies after collapsing in game

ketball player collapsed and died during a game at the Houston suburb Tuesday night.

John Alexander, a 6-foot-2 junior guard at second quarter. Coaches from Pearland and Pasadena Dobie high

schools rushed to aid the 17-year-old varsity guard Worth, Texas.

while players from both teams formed a prayer circle near the Dobie bench, according to the Houston Chronicle

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Dobie athletic trainer Chad Jones tried to revive Alexander before emergency medical technicians arrived. They treated Alexander for about 25 minutes and then transported him to Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, about two miles

Alexander never regained consciousness or showed any vital signs, and was pronounced dead

soon after arriving.

A cause of death was not immediately released, a nursing supervisor at the hospital said.

The hospital emergency waiting area was filled with students, coaches and faculty after Alexander had been taken there.

A&M fraternity in trouble for alcohol use

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Texas A&M has placed Tau Kappa Epsilon on deferred suspen-An ice accumulation of one inch was possible sion for violating alcohol rules and improperly dis-Wednesday, with the precipitation expected to turn missing a pledge, but did not turn up evidence to confirm a pledge's complaint that the fraternity kicked him out because he is gay.

Clay Cunningham told university officials he had just accepted an invitation to join last September, when an active fraternity member removed him after learning his sexual orientation.

University rules prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. But Dean of Student Life David Parrott said there was no finding that the fraternity as a whole decided to remove Cunningham, who had just gone through a weeklong rush.

The university's investigation found that the fraternity member acted without authority, Parrott

"It seemed as if there was an intent to move in that direction, but there was never any action taken," Parrott told the Bryan-College Station Eagle in Wednesday's online edition.

Disciplinary action may still be brought against individual students, Parrott said, but those sanctions would remain confidential under privacy

Documents show details on detainees

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Palestinian man with a kit to make box cutters and a Pakistani man interested in hunting near a nuclear facility are among 603 people detained by U.S. terrorism investigators, government documents show

Others were held for alleged violations with no obvious connection to past or future attacks, according to documents reviewed by The Associated

Attorney General John Ashcroft revealed Tuesday the government was detaining 603 people. He insisted the actions removed suspected terrorists from the streets and nabbed members of Osama bin Laden's network.

"We will use every constitutional tool to keep suspected terrorists locked up," Ashcroft told a news conference. He went beyond previous statements that some 1,100 people had been detained since HOUSTON (AP) — A Pasadena high school bas- Sept. 11 and that a majority remained in custody. He said 104 people have been charged with federal crimes in the probe.

In his most detailed public accounting yet, Pasadena Dobie High School, was standing about Ashcroft released the names of those facing federal midcourt when he collapsed with 7:32 left in the charges. Ashcroft did not mention some key suspects, including Mohammed Jaweed Azmath and Ayub Ali Khan, arrested aboard a train in Fort

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Today, cloudy with 40 percent chance of light snow. Highs in the mid 20s. North winds 10 to 20 mph. Snow accumulations less than one

Tonight, decreasing clouds. Lows around 17. Northwest winds 5 to 10 mph.

Thursday, sunny. Highs in the mid 40s. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph...Increasing to 15 to 25 mph in the afternoon.

STATEWIDE — A wintry mix of sleet, light snow and rain fell across North and West Texas degrees at Lufkin. early Wednesday, with forecastthe precipitation.

Between one and two inches Wichita Falls. Light to moderate snow was falling over much of the South Plains and Permian

Several inches of snow were expected in Amarillo.

Snow also accumulated from

the southeastern Panhandle south and west across much of West Texas. Elsewhere, parts of the Concho Valley and northern Edwards Plateau were getting a

mixture of wintry precipitation. Early-morning temperatures ranged from the teens in the Panhandle to 50s and near 60 in Southeast Texas and along the snow and rain was falling. coast.

Extremes ranged from 16 degrees at Dalhart and Dimmitt to 55 at Beaumont.

Abilene and Wichita Falls, 30 at the east and southeast. El Paso and Dryden and 43

Winds were mostly northerly ers expecting another wave of to northeasterly at 10 to 20 mph, with higher gusts at times producing wind chill indices in the of snow fell in and around single digits and teens in the Panhandle, with 20s in North Texas and 30s in the south.

> The National Weather Service posted a winter storm warning for Northwest Texas and a storm watch for northern sections of the state through Wednesday

Radar showed rain and scattered thunderstorms east and south of a line from Sulphur Springs to Hillsboro and Comanche. Heaviest storms were between Bremond and Athens.

West of a line from Abilene to Bowie, a mixture of sleet, light

A mixture of freezing rain, sleet and snow was expected to continue through Thursday in West and far North Texas, with Other readings included 27 at showers and thunderstorms in

> Snow should end from west to east by late Wednesday, the weather. service Accumulations of more than an inch were possible east of a line Aspermont through Midland to Dryden. Some locations could get four to six inches

of snow. Lows overnight were expected to range from the teens and 20s to 30s in the south and east.

Highs should be in the upper 20s in the West and 40s and 50s in the south and east.

Community Camera — 669-2525

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COMMISSION

But the following day, when Commissioner Faustina Curry said she realized the trees at issue are "the big ones" she asked City Manager Bob Eskridge to hold up on the "chain saws" so the matter could be revisited.

"I woke up having nightmares about the trees," Cutry said Tuesday. "These are really big trees ... I am a tree planter. We have lots of bean trees. I hear what you are saying (about the trees being messy) but those are big trees.

Plunk acknowledged the size of the trees saying, "I know, but they've been neglected and after they were pruned they look awful."

"I guess I kind of disagree," Curry said. "I just can't see taking those trees out ... to cut them down

because they produce beans ... I can't see cutting

Plunk noted the city has not had the funds to keep up the trees or to properly clean up after them. The city manager said, "Trees are always very important and people have different ideas about them. The Commission needs to bless whatever is

Mayor Lonny Robbins spoke saying, "I think they (Friends) thought this through" before coming to the Commission.

decided. Do we want a vote or to set up a commit-

"I was distracted (at the last meeting)," Curry said. "I didn't have any idea what trees ... it didn't dawn on me until I went there the next morning and looked. I said to myself 'this is a mistake to cut down these big trees."

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position." When the counties were first being formed, the surveyor was extremely important. Today, we don't need it."

During Kennedy's tenure as county judge, he said Gene Barber served in the position.

Kelly Rushing, chief deputy of Gray County Sheriff's Department, was formerly field inspector of Texas and Southwest Cattle Raisers Association. He said he didn't know if there had ever been an Inspector of Hides and Animals in Gray County. "I **never** heard of one," he said.

"The only Inspector of Hides and Animals I have ever heard about was Levi Schick over in Wheeler County. He was the one over there when Wheeler

County was first organized," said Rushing.

"Back then, it was open range and most people butchered their own beef," said Rushing. "The hide had to be kept available for inspection to be sure they weren't stealing cattle."

He said the state health department now has jurisdiction over the meat inspectors in small slaughterhouse businesses, and added federal health inspectors are placed in the large meat packing businesses these days.

Rushing said he believes the position would have to be abolished by a constitutional amendment.

In the meantime, qualified candidates can seek the County Surveyor and Inspector of Hides and Animals positions — if they don't want any pay or responsibility.

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of the health and well being of its citizens as well as protecting the Ogallala Aquifer from pollution as the purpose of the resolution.

In a 3-2 vote at the Nov. 15 meeting, Peet, along with Precinct 1 County Commissioner Joe Wheeley and Precinct 3 County Commissioner Gerald Wright, voted against the a resolution while Precinct 4 County Commissioner James Hefley and

Greene proposed the resolution in regard to plans by National Pig Development USA of North Carolina to build a 50,000-head swine facility 11 miles east of Pampa.

Greene said he has spoken with judges and com-

missioners from 11 counties in the panhandle whom he said are also interested in adopting the resolution for the TNRCC.

Other items to be considered during the meeting include rules of procedure, conduct and decorum at meetings, wild animal registration program, racial profile policy of sheriff's department, jail intercom system and possible replacement, and amended contract with Attorney General for Child Support distribution.

Commissioners will also consider the 2002 Commissioner Court meeting dates and county holidays along with Gaines County lease with O.J. Hubbard, Jr.

An executive session regarding litigation is also scheduled.

Doctor's wife accused of killing children goes on trial for murder

By ANDREW BUCHANAN **Associated Press Writer**

WHEATON, Ill. (AP) — The chilling 911 call times came from a wealthy suburban Chicago neighborhood: "My three kids are dead," the woman said, former husband took the stand. then paused. "I did it.

responding to that call found Nicholas, 7, Emily, 6, and Thomas, 3, dead, Marilyn Lemak went on trial Tuesday for their murders.

Prosecutors said in opening statements that Lemak was upset over her crumbling marriage and irate that her husband was seeing another woman so she drugged and then suffocated the children, then tried to kill herself.

"The killing of her children was a purposeful act meant to cause her husband pain ... and to bring pity upon herself," DuPage County Assistant State's Attorney Joe Ruggiero said.

Defense attorney Joe Bugos said the prosecution theory was too simple. Lemak's actions were those a distraught woman on medication and "the culmination of the deep downward spiral of major

depression," he said. In her delusional state, Lemak thought she was helping her children by feeding them her antidepression medication and then suffocating them, Bugos said. She then took medication and slit her

again in this world," Bugos said. "She would be ease." with Nicholas, Emily and Thomas, and nobody would be sad anymore."

Lemak did wake up. She called 911, pleading for have said they will seek the death penalty if Lemak help and telling the dispatcher she had killed her is convicted.

Lemak, 44, appeared gaunt and pale as she sat in the courtroom Tuesday, brushing back tears at

As the prosecution began calling witnesses, her

David Lemak described a "wonderful life" short-Two and half years after emergency crews ly after he, a young doctor, married the surgical nurse. Fissures started to appear after they had their first child.

He said they saw counselors over the years, and he described an "icy" relationship with his wife in the months preceding the killings.

"She didn't speak much to me except to reiterate her despising me," he said.

He testified that he eventually gave up efforts to save the marriage, and with their divorce pending, started to see another woman.

Shortly after his wife found out about that relationship, she killed the children in a fit of rage and

jealousy, DuPage County prosecutors say. The courtroom was packed for the proceedings. David Lemak's father could be seen quietly sobbing, and Marilyn Lemak's mother dabbed at her eyes when the March 1999 deaths of the children were described.

David Lemak was expected to resume testifying

Bugos said the evidence would show that Marilyn Lemak's actions "were not the manifesta-"She went to sleep never expecting to wake up tion of evil but the manifestation of mental dis-

> Ruggiero called that a "thinly veiled excuse" for a deliberate and horrendous crime. Prosecutors

Fun at Lamar ...



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Lamar Elementary School Principal Cay Warner entertains Vianey Melendez and Makayla Gonzalez while the girls' parents hear a presentation about a new earlyreading program.

Daschle presses Bush for support of farm bill

By PHILIP BRASHER **AP Farm Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle pressed the Bush administration Wednesday to support passage of an overhaul of farm subsidy programs by the end of the year. A Democratic farm bill faces a threatened

Republican filibuster in the Senate. Daschle, D-S.D., said he hoped to bring the legislation to a vote late this week or next week. "I don't think you can emphasize enough the

urgency with which we need to address farm legislation," Daschle said.

The administration sharply criticized a House conservation programs. bill passed in October and has urged Congress to legislation.

Existing farm programs don't expire until next vears. fall, but Daschle says growers need the assistance that would be provided by the bill.

President Bush and Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman were expected to address the farm legis-

lation in separate speeches Wednesday afternoon. Democrats forced their bill through the Senate Agriculture Committee earlier this month after giving Southern senators more money for big farms and adding a dairy program that could raise retail

Some farm groups are concerned that there will be less money available for their subsidies if Congress waits until next year to reauthorize the

"It's time to provide some certainty and stability to our producers," said Bob Stallman, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Critics of the Senate bill say it raises subsidy rates so high that it will stimulate price-depressing surpluses of grain, cotton and other crops: The measure faces a series of amendments on the

Senate floor, including an alternative subsidy plan backed by Republicans and a move by environmentalists to shift billions in crop subsidies into

Both the House and Senate bills would cost about wait until next year before finishing work on the \$170 billion over the next 10 years. The Senate legislation, however, would have to be renewed in five

To win approval from the Senate committee's southern Democrats, Chairman Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, dropped his effort to cut payments to big grain and cotton farms, added money for rice and peanuts and offered new subsidies for lentils and chickpeas.

On the Net: U.S. Department of Agriculture: http://www.usda.gov

Body misidentified; buried in wrong grave

NEW YORK (AP) — A firefighter killed at the identified him as one of his fallen colleagues.

"It's an incredible sequence of events," Ellen Borakove, spokeswoman for the medical examiner, said Wednesday.

Christopher Santora, 23, was mistakenly identified as co-worker Jose Guadalupe because both men had the same congenital anomaly in two vertebrae. Additional DNA testing turned up the mis-

take on Tuesday, Borakove said. Santora's body was buried by Guadalupe's family on Oct. 1, with Santora's family attending the

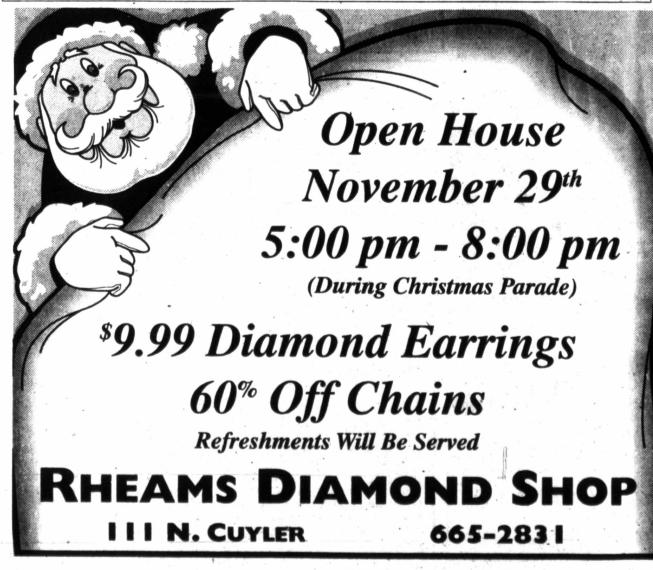
Santora's body was to be disinterred Wednesday. World Trade Center was buried in the wrong grave A memorial service for him that his parents had after the medical examiner's office mistakenly scheduled for Saturday will become a funeral

Both men worked at Engine Co. 54, a Hell's Kitchen firehouse that lost 15 firefighters when the twin towers collapsed Sept. 11.

The medical examiner's office has identified 453 people who died in the terror attacks. It said this was its first mistake.

"My first reaction is, how terrible it is for the Guadalupe family," said Santora's mother, Maureen, told The New York Times. "I feel awful this is on the back of someone who had closure. I'm nearly speechless. ... I can't be angry."

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Lawmakers agree on education plan

By DAVID ESPO **AP Special Correspondent**

WASHINGTON (AP) - Millions of students would undergo annual math and reading tests and school districts would gain more leeway in using federal education funds under compromise plans crafted by key lawmakers and praised by the Bush administration.

'We're very pleased with the progress ... and we look forward to seeing a final bill shortly," Education Department spokeswoman Lindsey Kozberg said Tuesday night as a summary of a draft agreement circulated among congressional Republicans.

She said key principles of President Bush's education plan were preserved in the proposal, drawn up during months of secretive talks among Sens. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., and Judd Gregg, R-N.H., and Reps. John Boehner, R-Ohio, and George Miller,

The four met Tuesday and were expected to present their proposed compromise to a broader group of House and Senate negotiators later in the week.

If ratified, it would mark a key breakthrough on legislation that once was atop Bush's agenda, but has largely fallen from ter one federally backed test, the National public view in the weeks since the Sept.11 terrorist attacks.

Other points remained to be resolved, among them a Democratic demand for more money than Republicans and the administration have agreed to provide, particularly for a program for special education stu-

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major obstacles and give fresh momentum other year. The results would be used to verto the push to get the bill through Congress before lawmakers adjourn for the year.

The House and Senate passed differing versions of the bill months ago, both responding to Bush's call to hold schools Federal help would be available to help subcome up to standards, they eventually could ment." be taken over by states.

the current 55 to 45. The proposal also through eight. would authorize more money to help in the establishment of new charter schools.

Additionally, economically disadvantaged students in failing schools would be allowed to use federal funds for private tutoring, summer school and other similar programs. Faced with overwhelming opposition, Bush long ago stopped demanding that federal funds be permitted to pay for tuition at private schools.

sought to split the difference between competing proposals.

The Senate bill required states to adminis-Assessment of Educational Progress, to measure student performance. The Housepassed measure permitted states to use an alternative, a provision designed in part to satisfy conservatives concerned about the funds," according to the summary. federal role in education.

Even so, final agreement on the issues of be administered to a sample of fourth- and cases of poor students in failing schools.

testing and funding flexibility would clear eighth-grade students in each state every ify "the results of the statewide assessments all students would take," the GOP summa-

'No federal rewards or sanctions would be based on NAEP," according to the documore accountable for student achievement. ment, and states "can change their state standards without first obtaining permispar schools improve, but if they failed to sion or approval from the federal govern-

Instead, rewards and sanctions would be The draft agreement would reduce the based on state-designed tests administered number of federal education programs from annually to students in grades three

The compromise on flexibility in federal funding is also a hybrid of the House and Senate versions.

All states and local school districts would be permitted to shift federal aid among a specified range of programs. Except for socalled Title I money, which is targeted at economically disadvantaged students, states and local school districts would decide to allocate up to 50 percent of their On key issues, the four senior lawmakers funding to suit their needs. "Decisions are left entirely to state and local school officials and do not require the approval" of the Education Department, according to the

> GOP summary. Additionally, seven states and 150 local school districts would be chosen to participate in demonstration projects granting 'additional flexibility in the use of federal

Both the House and Senate bills contained Under the proposed compromise, the fed-provisions allowing the use of federal funds eral NAEP test for reading and math would for supplemental educational assistance in

High court scrutinizing on-line porn law

on to Mitch Tepper's Web site court papers. "Thus, in the privaand he will tell you how to make cy of their homes or those of "hands-free whoopee." Such friends, unsupervised minors explicit how-to sex advice is not can, with the click of a mouse, for everyone, but it's not illegal. visit one pornographic site after At least not vet.

The Supreme Court hears claim that the government went too far with a law aimed at pro- argued. tecting children from on-line

The law, which is on hold pending the court challenge, in paper or is displayed behind a would unconstitutionally restrict adults from reading some of Age restrictions are trickier on-Tepper's offerings, along with line, as the court observed in its counselors and legal pornography, the ACLU claims.

"I would have to worry constantly about material as I publish it," Tepper said. "We would have to self-censor all the time."

line Protection Act would make users are another option, and the it a crime for commercial opera- one Congress settled on in 1998. tions to knowingly place objectionable material within the Web sites to collect a credit card the World Wide Web.

Posting material deemed fines and six months behind

wall off certain on-line material it out of reach of adults who have a constitutional right to see it. The court has already over-

turned one version of the same law as a violation of the First Amendment right to free speech. The ACLU claims that Congress' second try is no better. "The constitutional flaws in a final court ruling.

this law are identical to the flaws that led the Supreme Court to ing on-line pornography and strike down similar legislation children that the court is hearing four years ago," ACLU lawyer this fall. A case argued last Ann Beeson said.

Sexually explicit words and pictures that are deemed indecent but not obscene are protected by the First Amendment.

01, potential 3800 MCF, TD The Bush administration and backers including Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., and the conservative Family Research Council ACLU claim that the new version of the http://www.uscourts.gov/links. law provides important protec- html and click on 3rd Circuit. tion for children.

"Minors today can search the http://www.aclu.org Web as easily as they can change television channels," Justice alhealth.com

WASHINGTON (AP) - Log Department lawyers wrote in another.

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The law would put Internet arguments Wednesday in a case pornography and other explicit brought by Tepper, other Web material on the same footing as site operators and the American material offered for sale in Civil Liberties Union, which bricks-and-mortar bookstores or sex shops, the government

Children are not supposed to see pornography in such establishments, so it comes wrapped screen, the government said.

those of gay bookstores, abuse first ruling striking down a major portion of the Communications Decency Act.

Filtering software is one option, but even some supporters of that technology say it is not fail-safe. Special access codes or Passed in 1998, the Child On- registration systems for adult

unrestricted reach of children on number or an access code as proof of age before allowing Internet users to view on-line "harmful to minors" could mean material deemed "harmful to minors."

In an attempt to clear the The question for the Supreme Supreme Court hurdle, the sec-Court is whether it is possible to ond law defines indecency much more specifically. It also limits for children without also placing prosecution to commercial material found on the World Wide Web, as opposed to the wider online terrain of e-mail and some chat rooms.

Lower federal courts in Pennsylvania found the law was probably unconstitutional, and blocked its enforcement pending

The case is the second involvmonth tests bans on computer simulations that only appear to depict children having sex.

The current case is Ashcroft v. ACLU, 00-1293.

On the Net:

For the appeals court ruling in ACLU

Tepper site: http://www.sexu-

Meredith House



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compl 7-25-01, tested 10-18-01, TD 3125' —

Lower Morrow) Mewbourne Oil Co., #1 Flowers '122', Sec.

122,43,H&TC, spud 9-22-01, drlg. compl 10-12-01, tested 11-5-01, TD 11130', PBTD 11062' —

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Conservation group buys large grazing allotment at national monument

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A Canyon Trust's Moab office. conservation group has pur- said in The Salt Lake Tribune. chased another large grazing Hedden said he will ask the allotment at a national monu- Bureau of Land Management, ment in southern Utah in its which manages the monucampaign to reduce livestock ment, to let the trust end most

15 percent of the 1.9 million-Grand acre Staircase-Escalante Monument.

organization paid an undis- pollute streams, they introclosed sum to a rancher, who duce and spread exotic will relinquish the rights.

big representative swath of tive places can recover and go the canyon country," Bill back to a more natural produc-

grazing and preserve sensitive of the grazing in the allot-canyon land. of the grazing in the allot-ment. By law, the land can't be The Grand Canyon Trust held unused for long periods purchased grazing rights unless the BLM amends its Monday in the 256,000-acre management plan. About a swath, which represents about half-dozen ranchers still hold grazing privileges for parcels larger than 80,000 acres.

"When (cattle) congregate around water sources, they The Flagstaff, Ariz.-based damage native vegetation and species. If we can buy the "It's a way of preserving a ranchers out, those most sensi-Hedden, who runs the Grand tive condition," Hedden said.

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Calendar of events

PAMPA MASONIC LODGE #966 Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 meets Thursdays at 7 p.m. at 420 W. Kingsmill.

WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM White Deer Land Museum (112-116 S. Cuyler) winter visiting hours are 1-4 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. No

charge for admission; elevator provided. FREEDOM MUSEUM

Freedom Museum, USA, 600 N. Hobart is open from 12-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Revolutionary War to Kosovo. All branches of service are represented. For more information, call 669-6066.

LAS PAMPAS WATER GARDEN

AND KOI SOCIETY Las Pampas Water Garden and Koi Society meets at 7 p.m. the second Monday of each month at First Landmark Building in the Pampa Mall. For more information, contact Sharron Andrew at 665-6138 or Loyd Waters 665-6466.

GIRL SCOUTS

Pampa Girl Scouts meets at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at Pampa Girl Scout House on Kingsmill.

PANHANDLE PIECEMAKERS **QUILT GUILD**

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Thursday of each month at Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas

Panhandle is now open from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, 408 W. Kingsmill Ave., #173-A, in Pampa. For more information or for an appointment, call 665-2291. Planned Parenthood is a not-for-profit health care organization serving women and men in 17 offices covering 26 counties in the panhandle. **HIGH PLAINS EPILEPSY**

ASSOCIATION

High Plains Epilepsy Association of Amarillo, funded in part by Pampa United Way, will have a licensed social worker in Pampa from 9:30-12 noon the second Tuesday of each month at Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. The program assists people with epilepsy and their families. To make an appointment, contact the Amarillo office at 1-800-806-7236.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

The local Alzheimer's Support Group meets regularly at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest. For more information, call Dauna Wilkinson, 665-0356.

PAMPA GARDEN CLUB Pampa Garden Club meets at 2 p.m. the second Monday of each month from September through

May. Meeting location changes monthly.

TEXCARE PARTNERSHIP

Texcare Partnership is the New Children's Health Insurance campaign developed especially for Texas families with uninsured children, birth through age 18. The following health insurance programs are available: Children's Health Insurance Program, Medicaid and Texas Healthy Kids Corp. For more information, call 1-8**00-647-6558 or 1-888-892-227**3

PAMPA PILOTS ASSOCIATION

Pampa Pilots Association meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Airport Lounge.

HARRINGTON HOUSE

The 2001 tour season for Harrington House, 1600 S. Polk, Amarillo, is in full swing. Built in 1914 by cattlemen John and Pat Landergin, the house was acquired in 1940 and preserved by Don and Sybil Harrington. The hour-long tours are conducted from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, April through mid-December. There is no admission fee. For more information call (806) 374-5490.

PRTA

Pampa Retired Teachers Association will not meet in November.

HIGHLAND BAPTIST Highland Baptist Church, 1301 N. Banks, will host

prayer time from 11 am.-2 p.m., each Thursday with a special time of prayer from 12:15-12:30 p.m. For more information, contact the church office at 669-6509.

ARC CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross will host a Christmas open house from 3-5 p.m., Nov. 29 at the local ARC office, 108 N. Russell. The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served and brochures distributed on disaster relief and other information

WESLEY UNITED ARTS/CRAFTS FESTIVAL

Center in Hereford. Only limited booth space is available. Booth fee is \$10. Applications may be obtained by writing: Ellen Collins, 801 Miles St., Hereford, TX 79045; or by calling (806) 364-0774.

ACCORD MEETING Pampa Chapter of Accord, Inc., will meet at 7 p.m.,

Dec. 3 and 18 at Lovett Memorial Library. **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

"Breakfast with Santa" will be held at 9:30 a.m. and at 11 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 8 at St. Matthew's Parish Hall, 727 W. Browning. Cost is \$8 per child and covers breakfast, picture with Santa and a goodie bag. Reservations are recommended as space is limited. Children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, call Shepherd's Helping Hands at 665-9750 (if no answer, leave a message.)

CPR CLASS

Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer an adult CPR class, "Have You Saved a Life Today," from 6-9 p.m., Dec. 12 at the Gray Co. ARC office, 108 N. Russell. Cost of the class is \$25 (including the book). For more information or to register, call 669-7121.

GRAY CO. CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE Gray County Centennial Committee will meet at 5 p.m., Dec. 13 in the Nona Payne Room of Pampa Community Building. The meeting is free and open to the public.

LU ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIPS

Lamar University Texas Academy of Leadership in the Humanities is offering full tuition scholarships for up to 15 credit hours per semester. For more information, call (409) 839-2995 or e-mail TALH@hal.lamar.edu. To be eligible for the academy, students must have successfully completed the 10th grade, submit written recommendation from two teachers and have a composite score of at least 1,000 on the SAT

NESRI BOOKLET

A booklet, "Nuclear, Biologic and Chemical Attack Survival Resource Guide," is being offered through New Era Survival Research Institute. To receive the free booklet, consumers must send five first-class stamps for postage/handling to: New Era Survival Research Institute, NBC Survival Booklet Offer #NBC0924, P.O. Box 60944, Washington, DC 20039-0944. Additional information is available by calling (202) 882-9000 or via the Internet at www.NewEraSurvival.org

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Parents Won't Welcome Son's

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DEAR ABBY: Last year, my brother "Devon" died after a long illness. He is survived by his wife, "Clarisse," and my two nephews. Devon and I were as close as a brother and sister could be. My husband was close to him, too.

Seven months after Devon's passing, Clarisse began dating "Tim." No one was overjoyed by this, but we knew that Clarisse had loved my brother and mourned deeply. We understood it was time for her to move on. We put our feelings aside.

The problem is, my daughter's birthday party is coming up soon. We are hosting a family party and inviting everyone, including see myself with any other person.

Clarisse, Tim and the boys. My par
Our school has a policy the ents have expressed disappointment that Clarisse's boyfriend is being included and have informed us that they will not attend if Tim is there.

everyone, as my husband suggests, "Happy birthday, sweetheart," he and let the chips fall where they may? Or should I respect the wishes of my parents and ask Clarisse not IN THE MIDDLE

IN THE MIDWEST

DEAR IN THE MIDDLE: If your parents object to Tim's opinions of my family and friends presence only because they have who all have given me a "thumbs up" difficulty accepting that Clarisse has moved on, then I see no reason to exclude him. While couple, but I need just one more they have my deepest sympathy push in either direction so I can give for the loss of their son, they have no right to dictate who should or should not be on your guest list or part of Clarisse's

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CHRISTMAS

Dear Abby

Is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am a high school senior. My boyfriend, "Corey," and have been dating since ninth grade. I .love him more than anything on Earth. Corey is like another son to my parents, and I feel close to his mother and eight brothers. I can't

Our school has a policy that allows seniors to use the loudspeaker system to dedicate birthday greetings to other students. My birthday was last week, and Corey got on the What should I do? Should I invite microphone. Instead of saying,

> said: "To my girlfriend, my best friend, my skateboard buddy. I love you. You're 18, so no more waiting. What I really want to say, honey, is — will you marry me?" I told him I needed a week to think about it.

> I am still undecided. I know that I love Corey and we are a perfect

EXCITING?

HOPEFUL AND HELPLESS IN MISSISSIPPI

Widow's New Man

P.S. Corey said that if I say no,

we'll still go out and everything will

go back to normal.

DEAR HOPEFUL: A woman who is contemplating a decision as serious as marriage should not need a "push" in either direction. Tell Corey that you will consider his offer of marriage once you both have college benind you. Regardless of how much you and Corey may love each other, you shouldn't marry until you're both self-supporting.

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Dear Abby is written by Pauline

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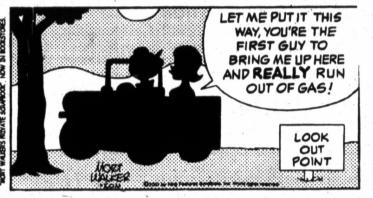






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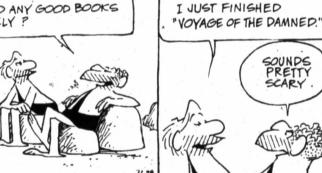


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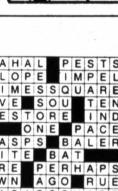
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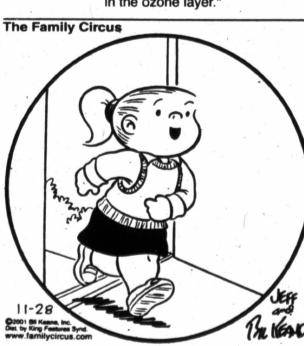
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BASKETBALL

WHEELER - Fort Elliott defeated Wheeler 48-30 Tuesday night in boys' basketball action.

Junior Newman had 14 points and Kade Zybach added 12 to lead the Cougars in scoring.

Justin Chapman was Wheeler's top scorer with 9

BASEBALL

McMINNVILLE, Ore. (AP) New York Yankees third baseman Scott Brosius retired.

The Yankees did not plan to re-sign the 1998 World Series MVP. Although he could have tried to play elsewhere, he felt the toll on his wife and three children would be too high.

Brosius, who came to the Yankees from Oakland, reached the World Series in all four seasons he spent in the Bronx, winning three times.

SOCCER

BUSAN, South Korea (AP) Past champions Brazil, Italy, Argentina and Germany were given seedings Wednesday for the World Cup draw, while England was not.

The setup for Saturday's draw, which creates eight groups of four teams, ensures the United States will not play an African country in the opening round of next year's tournament.

France, the defending champion, was guaranteed a seeding, as were co-hosts Japan and South Korea, whose low rankings and poor results wouldn't justify such a place-

France tops Group A, South Korea Group D, and Japan Group H.

England was bypassed by FIFA for a seeding, even though it beat Germany 5-1 in September, finished ahead of Germany in their European qualifying group and is ahead of Germany in the latest world rankings.

Croatia and Nigeria also were considered for seedings.

The decision on the seedings was based on the results of the last three World Cups, plus the results over the last three years and the FIFA rankings.

The World Cup kicks off May 31 when France plays the opener in Seoul, South Korea, and ends with the June 30 final at Yokohama, Japan.

FOOTBALL

NEW ORLEANS (AP) -New Orleans Saints offensive tackle William Roaf will miss the rest of the season following reconstructive surgery on his left knee.

The seven-time Pro Bowl player was injured against Atlanta on Oct. 11, bruising the meniscus and a bone in the joint.

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) -A judge ordered Lions owner William Clay Ford Jr. and Pontiac officials to meet at least once more in an attempt to settle a lawsuit over the team's early departure from

the Silverdome. The city of Pontiac is suing the Lions for breaking its 30year lease at the Silverdome. It seeks an injunction requiring the team to remain until its lease expires in 2006.

The Lions want to open the 2002 season at Ford Field, a \$315 million stadium under construction in downtown Detroit.

SAN DIEGO (AP) .-Desperate for a kicker who can find the uprights, the San Diego Chargers will audition former Buffalo Bills star Steve Christie, who's been out this season with a groin

KIRKLAND, Wash. (AP) - Seattle Seahawks cornerback Shawn Springs was suspended for four games for violating the NFL's policy

banning steroid use. CLEVELAND (AP) Fullback Mike Sellers, arrested last week and charged with felony drug abuse, was released by the Cleveland Browns "for a combination of reasons".

Texas learned lessons from '99 title game

Two years ago, the Longhorns three times in the '90s. played in the Big 12 title game meeting 22-6 in the Alamodome.

The No. 3 Longhorns vow not to make the same mistake Saturday when they play No. 9 Colorado in the Big 12 title game at Texas Stadium. Six weeks ago, Texas beat the Buffaloes 41-7 in Austin.

Senior guard Antwan Kirkgoing into that title game.

Although Nebraska had just would be mad." one loss that season, Texas had

"We were saying we beat against a Nebraska team they them once and the team was beat six weeks earlier in Austin. walking with big chests acting The Cornhuskers returned to like it was going to happen Texas and won the second again," Kirk-Hughes said.

> Texas coach Mack Brown said he knew the Huskers were ready for revenge.

time."

Hughes, one of six starters the best team in the country remaining from the '99 that year. I thought Nebraska Nebraska game, remembers the was a better team than we were Longhorns being too confident when we beat them here," Brown said. "I knew Nebraska

Colorado will be mad on In both the regular-season

AUSTIN (AP) - Texas knows beaten the Huskers three Saturday, said Texas quarter- wins over the title game foes, however, will be just as hard as about rematches. And how to straight since 1996. UT was the back Chris Simms, who Texas got a huge boost from it was then. What worked six only team to beat Nebraska watched the '99 title game from turnovers. Against Colorado, weeks ago might not work on the bench. The Buffaloes (9-2) the Longhorns turned two first- Saturday. won four in a row before losing half fumbles into 10 points en to the Longhorns (10-1) and haven't lost since.

"Early on, we're going to have to weather the storm a lit-"They came out fired up tle bit," Simms said. "It's simibecause they remembered their lar to Nebraska in '99. We beat ences. last loss and it knocked them them here and they came out out of a lot of things. We didn't .and jumped on us early It was come prepared to play and we like, 'Oh man, we might get Brown said. Plus, can't afford to do that this blown out.'

with that same intensity. We're A&M instead of a 20-16 loss. just going to have to do a better The '99 Longhorns followed the job of being able to contain it losses to A&M and Nebraska "Nebraska might have been and keep ourselves composed with a blowout loss to Arkansas structure of the league, it's a through it all."

> Texas made it look easy in for three TDs.

preventing the Buffs from getting their running game going.

While there are similarities to change everything. '99, there also are many differ-

than it was two years ago, Longhorns are coming off a 21-'They're going to come out 7 road win over rival Texas in the Cotton Bowl.

"We were on a real downer October, when Cedric Benson when we lost to A&M," Brown said Brown, who has never won ran for 100 yards and two said. "We walked in there with a league title in his previous 17 touchdowns and Simms passed less confidence than we have seasons as a head coach, "it right now."

Preparing for this rematch, to beat a team twice."

"We've already played them route to a 24-7 halftime lead, and put our best stuff on them and now what do you do?" Brown said. "Now you have to

Saturday's game marks the third straight year the Big 12 For one, Texas is a better team title game is a rematch from the regular season.

> beat a Kansas State team it had already handled during the regular season.

Last year, Oklahoma had to

Brown said given the power trend that's likely to continue.

"To win your championship," looks like you're going to have

PHS cagers drop basketball doubleheader to Tascosa

player Lindsey Narron had 21 for Pampa were Stacey Johnson and Danny Gilbreath 14. points for the Lady Harvesters, with 8, Jennie Waggoner 6, but Tascosa pulled away from Valerie Velez 6, Morgan White Harvesters in scoring with 15 Pampa in the fourth quarter for 5, Ashley Derington 5, and a 66-55 win Tuesday night.

The Lady Harvesters showed quite an improvement against with 6 each. Tascosa despite the loss. In the teams Nov. 19, Pampa suffered throw attempts. a 26-point setback.

think the break we had be more motivated in this them." game," said Pampa coach Steve Schmidt.

Pampa trailed by 11 (32-11) at Friday. halftime, but the Lady five (45-40) after three quarters. of the toughest 3A teams in the The Harvesters had played the the first six points of the fourth our stride. I feel like we're just season. quarter, Pampa went on a run to about where we need to be, close within five again with 4:13 Schmidt said. remaining. That would be as close as Pampa could get.

scoring with 13 points each.

Narron, who hit 7 of 8 free to 3-1. Pampa falls to 1-3. throw attempts, had 14 second-

Jennifer Lindsey 4. Narron and Lindsey led Pampa in rebounds

As a team, the Lady first meeting between the two Harvesters hit 30 of 40 free Rodgers 5, Carlos Solis 5, James

"We played them a lot strong," Schmidt said. "Tascosa tougher this time around. I has a real aggressive team and we were able to get to the foul helped our legs. We seemed to line several times against

Pampa meets Perryton at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in the first round in the Cal Farley Classic of the Lake Meredith Classic in

Harvesters closed the gap to tough game. Perryton has one for the third time this season. After the Lady Rebels scored state, but we're starting to hit Rebels the second game of the

AMARILLO Tascosa Catherine Bankhead and defeated Pampa 64-42 in boys Heather Brown led Tascosa in basketball action Tuesday night. Tascosa improved its record

Scoring leaders for the Rebels

AMARILLO - Senior post half points. Others who scored were Jason Perry with 16 points

points Halftime score was 36-25,

Chadd Platt led

Tascosa's favor. Other Harvesters who scored were Kyle Francis with 6, Adam Silva 4, Ryan Zemanek 2, 'Our free throw shooting was Johnny Moore 2, Max Simon 2 and Matt Crow 1.

Pampa did have a 30-19 rebounding advantage on Tascosa. Platt had 8 rebounds to lead the Harvesters.

The Harvesters will compete Thursday through Saturday in Amarillo. Pampa is tentatively "We're expecting another scheduled to again play Tascosa

> PAMPA — Pampa dropped a freshmen game Tascosa 84-37 earlier this week. Brandon Johnston was Pampa's high scorer with 13 points. Tyler Doughty followed with 9 and Heath Miller



Seth Foster (5) waits for a possible rebound in a Pampa-Tascosa freshmen game earlier this week.

Lakers display big edge against best of the East

By The Associated Press

The best team in the East nipped Miami 84-83. paid a visit to Los Angeles,

game in the second half and points in the first half. scored 33 points Tuesday the Bucks 104-85.

to 9-2, but still has the second-best record in the NBA.

"We didn't shoot the ball well, but we won by 19, and that should tell people something," said Shaquille O'Neal, who had 19 points and spent most of the game doubleteamed and kicked the ball out to his teammates.

The Lakers pulled away in the second half and improved to 9-0 at Staples Center, while the Bucks lost for the first time in five road games.

In other NBA games, Sacramento edged Houston

and the Lakers showed the Western Conference teams team in basketball, but that Gary Trent. Milwaukee Bucks that the with losing records, the doesn't make or break our best of the West has a big Lakers finally found a chal- season." lenge against the East's top Kobe Bryant took over the team. The Bucks led by 15 Kings 89, Rockets 84

The Lakers led just 74-71 at The Lakers improved the first seven points of the Sacramento won at Houston. best start in franchise history fourth for an 81-73 lead. to 13-1. Milwaukee dropped Robert Horry tossed in a 3- its starting backcourt of Steve pointer, and the Lakers led by Francis, sidelined 4-to-6 11 with 9:25 remaining.

win a game against them last the Bucks' 2-0 sweep.

The Lakers whittled a 15point deficit down to two at halftime by outscoring the Bucks 21-8. Reserve Devean George energized the Lakers, dunking off a teammate's miss before Bryant hit a 3 to end the half with the Lakers down 49-47.

"They are the two-time 89-84, Seattle beat Minnesota defending champions, so the ed Chicago 100-68, Dallas through them," said Sam with 10 assists, and Vin Baker downed Golden State 116- Cassell, who led the Bucks added 24 points. 106; Portland topped Indiana with 23 points. "It's too long

96-90, Cleveland defeated of a schedule to highlight the as many as 14 in the third 2 run in the final 3:45 of the Washington 94-75 and Boston schedule with one particular quarter, cut the Sonics' lead to third quarter, to go in front game. Sure, it was a game five midway through the for good. After beating up on against probably the best fourth on a pair of baskets by

Peja Stojakovic scored 24 night as the Lakers defeated the start of the fourth quarter, points, including four free game out of reach at 99-86 turnovers in the final quarter. but Bryant scored the Lakers' throws in the final minute, as

> The Rockets played without Nets 100, Bulls 68 weeks with a foot injury, and "We just had to make a Cuttino Mobley, who is day-

The Kings led by as many third-quarter points. year," Horry said, recalling as 15 in the third, but Keith Van Horn added 19 Moochie Norris scored 12 points and 10 rebounds as the 18 points in the fourth quarpoints in a 21-6 run that knot- Nets handed the Bulls (1-12) ter, and Lamond Murray had ted the score at 64-64 with their 10th straight loss. 14 points and 10 rebounds for 2:10 to play in the quarter. Chicago is winless in nine Cleveland, which won its Stojakovic hit two free throws road games. with 36 seconds to play for an 85-80 lead, then hit two more Mavericks 116, Warriors 106 with 7 seconds to play.

Timberwolves 102

But the Timberwolves

could get no closer as Gary Payton scored six points in Patterson scored 12 of his 22 under two minutes, including a finger roll over Kevin ter burst and forced rookie Garnett that all but put the Jamaal Tinsley into four with 4:15 left.

Todd MacCulloch had 18 points and 13 rebounds, and New Jersey tied a team record statement because we didn't to-day with a sprained ankle. by holding Chicago to six Cavaliers 94, Wizards 75

Michael Finley matched his Celtics 84, Heat 83 SuperSonics112, career high with 39 points and Dirk Nowitzki added 33

Minnesota, which trailed by points by Finley during an 11- straight losses.

Trail Blazers 96, Pacers 90

Portland, points during a fourth-quar-

Rasheed Wallace added 24 points, and the Blazers recovered from a 16-point secondquarter deficit and the ejection of leading scorer Bonzi Wells.

Ricky Davis scored 14 of his third straight at home. Michael Jordan scored 18 for Washington.

At Miami, Paul Pierce as Dallas came back from a scored 33 points, including a At Seattle, Brent Barry had 21-point deficit to stretch its driving layup as time 112-102, New Jersey dominat- title definitely has to go a career-high 31 points to go winning streak to four games. expired, to snap Boston's The Host Mavericks used a four-game losing streak and 33-17 charge, including eight run the Heat's slide to nine

North Texas nipped by Lipscomb

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) —

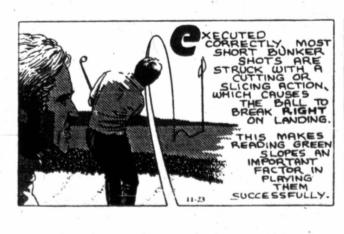
shot with two seconds left Tuesday night to hand the Bison a 75-74 victory over North Texas.

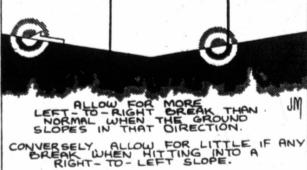
first game played in Lipscomb's

new Allen Arena.

Lipscomb (1-2) trailed 39-27 at David Lipscomb's Clayton halftime and fell behind by 19 Osborn hit a three-quarter-court points before rallying to tie the Mean Green (3-2) at 65 on a basket by Osborn with 5:39 left to

Osborn's winning basket gave The miracle basket came in the the Bison the lead for the first time since midway through the opening half.





Miami's James named District 1-1A Most Valuable Defender

Curtis Smith of Fort Elliott Defense and Rob Buffa of Follett share End: Andrew Johnson, Garcia, Coach of the Year honors. Josh Robertson of Follett Elliott; Blake Lackey, Miami; Williams, Miami.

was the district's Most Valuable Offensive Player.

All-District 1-1A (6-Man)

First Team Offense

Center: Zack McDowell, Miami; Tight end: Lance Patterson, Miami, Brett Duke, Follett; Spread end: Cash Follett; Junior

Newman, Fort Elliott; Josh Follett; Robertson, Quarterback: Jimmy James, Miami; Running back; Caleb Barnes, Lefors; Ryan Manley, Miami; Larry Lee Horn, Fort Elliott; Kicker: Hal Rogers, Punter: Miami; Chris Sparling, McLean.

Defense End: Brett Duke, Follett; Zack McDowell, Miami; Justin Hefley, Fort Elliott; Linebacker: Ryan Manley, Lefors; Caleb Barnes, Lefors; Cornerback: Cash Lewis, Follett; Jimmy James, Miami; Kade Zybach, Fort Elliott.

Second Team Offense Center: Cody Freeman, Follett; Tight end: Josh Lefors; Adam Johnston, McLean; Split end: Rustin Burke, Follett; Monty Hand, Fort Elliott;

Quarterback:

Jimmy James of Miami was Spread back: C.J. Bryant, Linebacker: Trevor Scates, named District 1-1A's Most Fort Elliott; Running back: Higgins; Jared Robertson, Valuable Defensive Player Cash Lewis, Follett; Jordan Follett; Caleb Kirkpatrick, Shearer, Follett.

Fort Elliott; Cornerback: Rustin Burke, Follett; Josh Lefors; Lance Lefors; Luis Gonzalez, Fort Patterson, Miami; Preston

No. 3 Oklahoma beats Texas Christian 76-60

Oklahoma coach Sherri Coale Sooner but Oklahoma manwas far from satisfied with the aged to keep the ball out of No. 3 Sooners' effort.

"I didn't 'think we played very hard. I thought we were on Tuesday night.

going to have to be better than well. that to win in the Big 12."

The Sooners (6-0) committed 22 turnovers, a number that was offset by TCU's 32 turnovers. After a sluggish start, Oklahoma began pulling away midway through the first half and was never threatened the rest of the way.

LaNeishea Caufield scored 24 points, and Stacey Dales added 21 points and 11 rebounds. Dales also had five assists to break the school and Big 12 career records with 605.

player Sandora Irvin to just only Elliott; three points. At 6-foot-4, Irvin attempts.

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) - was much taller than any her hands.

"I thought our perimeter players did a nice job of keeplethargic and kind of went ing pressure on the ball, through the motions," Coale which prevented them from said after Oklahoma's 76-60 seeing her, maybe, when she victory over Texas Christian did get open," Coale said. "I sure thought Jamie Talbert "I'll tell you what, we're did a great job on her inside as

> TCU coach Jeff Mittie said his young team struggled against the veteran Sooners.

"They switched from a 1-3-1 to a man-to-man and that confused some of our young players," Mittie said. "They're a veteran team that has played together and you cansee that on both ends."

Grace Gantt led TCU (2-2) with 14 points, and Ebony Shaw added 10 points and nine rebounds.

Oklahoma led 41-29 at halftime and gradually pulled away. TCU shot just 33.9 per-Oklahoma held TCU post cent from the field and hit 4-of-24 3-point

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Charlotte at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
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COLLEGE FOOTBALL NCAA Div III Football Glance At A Glance

By The Associated Press. All Time EST First Round Saturday, Nov. 17
Augustana, III. 54, Defiance, Ohio 14
Thomas More, Ky. 34, MacMurray, III. 30
Ithaca, N.Y. 35, Montclair State, N.J. 23

Rowan, N.J. 40, Brockport, N.Y. 17 Western Connecticut State 8, Westfield Washington & Jefferson, Pa. 24, Western Widener, Pa. 56, Christopher Newport, Va. 7 Wittenberg, Ohio 38, Hardin-Simmons,

St. John's, Minn. 27, St. Norbert, Wis. 20 Trinity, Texas 30, Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas

Pacific Lutheran, Wash. 27, Whitworth, Wash. 26, OT

Second Round Saturday, Nov. 24 Mount Union 32, Augustana, III. 7 Wittenberg, Ohio 41, Thomas More, Ky. 0 Ithaca, N.Y. 27 at RPI 10 Rowan, N.J. 43, Western Connecticut State

Bridgewater, Va. 41, Trinity, Texas 37 Widener, Pa. 46, Washington & Jefferson Pa. 30 Pacific Lutheran 27, Central, Iowa 21, OT St. John's, Minn. 9, Wisconsin-Stevens Point

Quarterfinals Saturday, Dec. 1 Ithaca, N.Y. (11-1) at Rowan (10-1), Noon Widener, Pa. (12-0) at Bridgewater, Va. (10-Wittenberg, Ohio (11-1) at Mount Union (11-Pacific Lutheran (8-2) at St. John's, Minn.

(10-2), 1 p.m. Semifinals Saturday, Dec. 8 Ithaca, N.Y.-Rowan winner vs. Widener, Pa. Bridgewater, Va. winner Wittenberg, Ohio-Mount Union winner vs. Pacific Lutheran-St. John's, Minn. winne

Leave the Kleenex in a drawer

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er. The over-under on how long three-year extension and a The implicit threat, of course, it will take some august mem- raise. ber of the House Judiciary

The baseball commissioner represents 30 individuals and companies that own teams, each with a net worth that would shame a small nation. before a Minnesota judge According to his books, 25 of issued an injunction, the playthem lost money this year

\$500 million in all. But Selig is not expected to ask Congress to hold a bake sale. Instead, he'll respectfully ball's books along. ask the legislators to butt out of 79-year-old antitrust exemption

"Some of the political people who've gotten involved in one place or another keep talking have to do it in a legal and a col-ningly bad," he said. lective bargained way."

Since he can't stop the own-stunned everybody. The debt is that the trend will catch on.

CHICAGO (AP) - Bud Selig ers from overpaying players; or even more worrisome, to all the is going to Capitol Hill next force the players to accept less, people we do business with. week to plead poverty. Selig's latest solution for the "The consequence of this, if "I think the story is so com- game's economic woes is to not dealt with, could be incredpelling," he said, "that it needs have fewer players. For that ibly severe," Selig added, "far stroke of genius, the owners more than what we're talking Leave the Kleenex in a draw-rewarded him Tuesday with a about today."

Committee to shed the first tear lot of things," he said. "But teams, something Selig hinted

associated with. Selig's original contraction wanted to get rid of four. plan called for two teams to disers union filed a grievance and the judiciary committee sug-Washington and bring base-

his business, to leave baseball's the invitation to show the teams, even though their failure nation what bad businessmen has more to do with mismanthe owners have become.

that loses over \$500 million and Oakland. Eliminating the 25 of your clubs are in the red, Twins, however, is another about what we should do," he that is a business profile that's matter. said. "The problem is that we not only unacceptable, it's stun-

is that baseball will have to "I know they get blamed for a whack more than just two there's no group I'd rather be at three weeks ago when he associated with." and a majority of the owners

"Actually," he reiterated appear by Dec. 15. But that was Tuesday, "there hasn't been a voice of dissension on the issue in the last five meetings."

Selig refused one more time to identify which teams are on gested the commissioner visit the short list. But few people would argue with closing down sad-sack operations like Selig practically jumped at Montreal and both Florida agement than fan apathy, "When you have an industry which could still doom

Attendance in Minnesota climbed by three-quarters of a "People always blame the million this season with the Selig and his down-at-the- owners for that, It's the system. emergence of a competitive team heels cohorts want to be able to I have an 8-year-old grand- for the first time in nearly a continue deciding among daughter who could tell you decade. The real problem is that themselves who owns a fran- that. But we're the ones losing the locals keep refusing to help chise and where — even if that money. Our constituents want fund a stadium for billionaire means crossing several off the map. us to that we're serious about owner Carl Pohlad, and his fel-solving our problems. This loss low owners' greatest fear is

Devils routed by Penguins

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By The Associated Press

Detroit at Chicago, 1 p.m. New England at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.

Martin Brodeur left the net to play the puck, and the Pittsburgh Penguins caught him way out of

A few minutes later, the New headed to the bench

where whatever you do, it just doesn't go your way," said Eastern Conference champions' 6- second period with the Penguins 0 loss Tuesday night.

Ian Moran and Alexei Kovalev scored on two of the Penguins' first three shots against Brodeur, who fell to 12-13-4 against for an easy goal at 11:56. Pittsburgh — the only team he

has a losing record against. "It's hard to put into words how we played," the Devils' Bobby Holik said. "It was just a bad, bad, bad game. If we weren't embarrassed by it, we have a problem. It's one thing to lose, it's another thing to lose like this."

In other NHL games, it was Islanders 5; the New York Rangers 2, Buffalo 2; Boston 6, Tampa Bay '3; Columbus 3, Phoenix 0; Detroit 4, Calgary 2; Montreal 5, Atlanta 1; Carolina 5, Toronto 2; St. Louis 4, Ottawa 2; Minnesota 2, Vancouver 1; Colorado 4, Florida 1; and San

Jose 3, Nashville 2. Although they were outshot 39-17, the Penguins generated more than enough offense — from unlikely sources.

Robert Lang had three assists unbeaten streak against one team. 3-1-1.

and only his second goal in 18 Rangers 2, Sabres 2 games, Toby Petersen got his first two goals in six weeks and Moran, who usually scores a couple of times all season, got his second in two games.

Jersey goalie skated off the ice and er," Lang said. "It definitely felt saves as the visiting Rangers over-"It was one of these nights road trip, and this is the way you want to go on the road."

The defining moment for the Brodeur, who allowed four goals Devils, 1-5-2-1 in their last nine on eight shots in the defending games, came midway through the up 2-0.

Brodeur unwisely left the net to play a puck, but Lang stole it off his stick and passed to Peterson

"I was just stuck and didn't know what to do with it," Brodeur said.

Lang scored 3:02 later, and Devils coach Larry Robinson sent backup goalie Jean-Francois Damphousse onto the ice in Brodeur's place.

Capitals 5, Islanders 5 Mariusz Czerkawski scored his

Washington 5, the New York third goal of the game with 46.3 seconds left to lift New York to a tie with Washington. Alexei Yashin had a goal and an assist and Kenny Jonsson also scored for New York, which

> Eastern Conference, but had its streak winless against Washington extended to 20 games (0-17-3).

> remained in first place in the

Michael York scored with 8.5 seconds left in regulation to rally New York to a tie with Buffalo.

Eric Lindros scored a powerplay goal late in the second peri-"It was a big confidence boost- od, and Mike Richter made 47 great. We're going on a four-game came a 2-0 deficit and snapped a two-game losing streak.

Denis Hamel and J.P. Dumont scored for the Sabres.

Bruins 6, Lightning 3 Sergei Samsonov had a goal

and three assists as Boston beat visiting Tampa Bay and surging goalie Nikolai Khabibulin, who had three shutouts in his previous four games. Samsonov stopped the goalie's

scoreless streak at 178 minutes, 7 seconds with a goal at 7:46 of the first period. Joe Thornton, Glen Murray, Jozef Stumpel, Bill Guerin and Brian Rolston also scored for Boston.

Blue Jackets 3, Coyotes 0 Ron Tugnutt made 26 saves for his 20th career shutout, and Mike Sillinger and Espen Knutsen each had a goal and an assist as Columbus beat Phoenix.

Chris Nielsen also scored for Columbus, which is 4-0-1-1 in its last six home games.

Red Wings 4, Flames 2

Brett Hull had a goal and assisted on the go-ahead score as host Detroit beat Calgary and extended its unbeaten streak to eight.

Luc Robitaille, Kirk Maltby Adam Oates had two goals and and Tomas Holmstrom also an assist for visiting Washington, scored for the Red Wings, which which has the longest current has the NHL's best record at 21-

Baseball owners extend Selig's contract through 2006

owners extended commissioner were told by their lawyers that the Bud Selig's contract through 2006 players' association may file an but did not take any action Tuesday on the game's most debated issue — eliminating two teams before next season.

The unanimous vote of confidence for Selig came at a time when the sport faces economic stress and possible labor problems. He said baseball had lost more than \$500 million this year and was under pressure to stem losses.

Owners left the elimination of two teams — widely believed to be the Minnesota Twins and Montreal Expos — on hold as the issue winds its way through the courts.

"Baseball will contract," Selig

said. "I can't give you a precise

timetable today because in some parts it's out of our hands." Robert DuPuy, baseball's chief legal officer, told owners there was a chance contraction would not take place before the 2002 season, according to a person in the meet- it.

ing who spoke on the condition he

unfair labor practice charge with the National Labor Relations

Selig said 25 of the 30 teams lost money this year, said \$165 million was transferred this year from the six teams with the highest revenue to the six lowest, and said baseball will release specifics Dec. 6, the date tentatively set by the House Judiciary Committee for a hearing on the sport's 79-year-old antitrust exemption.

He said the commissioner's office had guaranteed loans to an unspecified number of teams to get through this year.

'We've had to help clubs, quite frankly, to stay afloat," he said. "We're doing something now we should have done years and years ago: We're addressing our problems. We had an option to do something and we just didn't do

Selig had Gregory R.D. Nash of

CHICAGO (AP) — Baseball not be identified. Owners also FleetBoston Financial Corp. and head Donald Fehr said. James Nash of Bank of America Corp. in Charlotte, N.C., address owners at the meeting. The bankers told owners that with the current recession, loans will be examined more closely in the

> Selig said the \$500 million loss came on revenue of \$3.5 billion. "The loss stunned everybody," Selig said. "The debt is even more. worrisome to people we do business with."

es points to yet another confrontation with the players' association, which has resisted change since the current system of free agency and salary arbitration came into effect in 1976. In that time, the average salary has climbed from \$51,000 to about \$2.15 million. There have been eight work

The public proclamation of loss-

stoppages since 1972, and baseball's latest labor contract expired "There's nothing I can say now.

We'll see what happens," union

Selig gave hope there would be a 2002 season, saying a potential lockout of players was "not on the radar screen.'

The only concrete action taken was the decision to extend the term of Selig, who is thought to make about \$3 million annually. He became acting commissioner in September 1992, when he helped lead a revolt that forced Fay Vincent's resignation. When Selig was elected on July 8, 1998, owners said he had a five-year term starting that Aug. 1.

However, baseball said Tuesday his term actually was set to expire on Dec. 31, 2003, and that the new term runs through 2006.

New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner, the owner who has clashed with Selig most often in public, made the announcement.

"He's a leader and will take baseball where we have to go," Steinbrenner said.

The Mets' Fred Wilpon, Kansas

City's David Glass, Seattle's John must file its response by Ellis and Houston's Drayton McLane followed with praise of Selig, whose family has controlled the Milwaukee Brewers since 1970.

Selig has wide support among teams because he befriended many owners when he ran the Brewers. As commissioner, he has rarely punished teams for violating rules.

After owners met on Nov. 6, Selig announced the decision to eliminate two teams without specifying which ones. At the time, he said he was confident it could be accomplished before next season. But he was less definite Tuesday.

A Minnesota judge issued a temporary injunction Nov. 16, and it is unclear if an appeal will be heard this year. The Twins and baseball have asked the Minnesota Supreme Court for a speedy review of their request to lift the injunction, asking for a hearing no later than Dec. 7. The Metropolitan which operates the Metrodome, manager on hold, Bell said.

Wednesday.

In addition, the players' association filed a grievance, claiming the elimination of teams violated provisions of the expired labor contract. Lawyers for players and owners are to meet Wednesday in New York with arbitrator Shyam Das, who is expected to set the hearing dates on the grievance.

Because of the delays, Dave St. Peter, the Twins' executive vice president of business affairs, said the team will start mailing renewal applications for season tickets next week. If the Twins are eliminated,

the money will be refunded. Paul Ridgeway, part of a group trying to save the Twins, gave petitions with 110,000 signatures to Selig, Twins president Jerry Bell

'We have a list of 100,000 potential (ticket) buyers," Bell said later.

and team owner Carl Pohlad.

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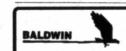
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Horoscope

THURSDAY, NOV. 29, 2001 BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll 5-Dynamic; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

** Lay low when others do uproar. Your instinct will be to tell someone off. their attention. Tonight: Work late. What purpose do you think that will ultiyourself and your work from such situa- appropriate at work or when organizing a sions. Someone else might feel a lot difmately fulfill? Decide how to insulate tions. Curb another's spending if possi- holiday gathering doesn't conform to ferently than you do. Tap into your creble. You can only try. Tonight: Get someone else's ideas. As a result, there ativity when choosing a present for a together with a loved one.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) your concentration to a higher-up or Enjoy yourself to the max! *** Unexpected developments turn boss. You know what you want, but deal- LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Tonight: Play the night away.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Gemini. Take in news from others, but also check it out. You might not be getting hard facts. Subtly verify information. Extremes mark work and emotions. Tonight: Vanish with a favorite person.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) one's irritation or pushing get to you. Deal with strangers with care, as if you were walking on eggshells. Your interacself with friends, loved ones and co- jolt. Work stresses you, and you might workers. Tonight: Where the maddening not be able to stay focused. Don't swal-

crowds are. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Stay in charge when others fall 4-Positive; apart. You find someone's behavior a bit touchy or difficult. You don't need to deal with this person, but you choose to do so just the same. A family member tries to make up for a problem. Bathe in

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ize it might be best to indulge someone. yourself. Your gentle ways win the day. Tonight: AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

agreeable solutions for all those in there. ** Quiet down and say little, as dif- involved. Money proves to be a bone of PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ficult as that might be for the verbal contention. Tonight: Treat a dear friend. ** * Speak your mind. Express your Indulge and delight this person. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

options. Carry this sense of creativity and Pick and choose your words with care. energy into your day. Perhaps you don't Someone's overtures touch you deeply. realize how much you inspire those Let this person know. Tonight: Where the *** Unexpected financial developaround you. Someone puts his feelings action is! ments come your way. Don't let some- on the line. Allow yourself to be more vulnerable with this person. Tonight: BORN TODAY Defer to another.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

tions dance along the edge. Enjoy your-

low your anger. Let someone know just how you feel. Extremes punctuate your efforts when dealing with those around

Tonight: Pace yourself. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** Check your balance and make sure everything in your monetary world is as you believe it to be. Your instincts *** Your vision of what might be lead you to make strong financial decicould be fireworks. Slow down and real-loved one. Tonight: Go out and enjoy

*** A boss or an authority figure could be surprised by your reaction, or ing with this person will require all of *** Deal on a one-on-one level vice versa. Talk about your aspirations your Taurean charm, desirability and with those around you. Though a child or together. You might actually be more logic. Don't worry, your common sense a loved one could be creating his share of alike than you realize. Indulge a family is noticed even if they won't admit it. uproar, proceed in a caring and direct member or make a purchase that makes manner. Use your creativity to find your domestic life cozier. Tonight: Hang

ideas and perhaps a dream you have kept to yourself. You might experience an *** Your family presents many unexpected, strong reaction to someone.

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Apparent executions at northern killed in the U.S. air strikes. fortress; Taliban say leader is safe after U.S. airstrikes

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — The Taliban said Wednesday that their supreme leader was safe after U.S. airstrikes on a Taliban "leadership area." At a northern fortress where pro-Taliban foreigners were killed in a prison mutiny, bodies of dozens of foreign fighters were seen with their arms tied behind their backs.

Red Cross workers removed bodies from the corpse-strewn complex near Mazar-e-Sharif where the three-day mutiny by foreign fighters loyal to ping up pressure on lawmakers to pass an eco-Osama bin Laden was put down Tuesday. Gen. Rashid Dostum, the northern alliance commander who controls the area, warned journalists to stay away from the southern section of the fort, where he said dangerous pro-Taliban fighters could still be alive among the corpses.

An Associated Press photographer who wandered into the southern sector saw a field with about 50 bodies laid out. Black scarves bound their arms, and alliance fighters were cutting the bonds from the bodies with knives and scissors.

The foreigners were brought to the fortress last weekend after the surrender of the northern Taliban stronghold of Kunduz. Dostum denied his men had committed any atrocities.

"We treated prisoners according to human ghts," he said.

Mexico's human rights agency: 275 leftists vanished in government hands MEXICO CITY (AP) — President Vicente Fox is rights," he said.

U.S. planes strike compound possibly

used by senior Taliban, al-Qaida leaders WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. warplanes bombed two sites in Afghanistan near the Taliban stronghold of Kandahar that may have been used by top horrifying past abuses Taliban or al-Qaida leaders, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said.

F-16 jets and B-1B bombers dropped precisionguided weapons Tuesday on the targets southeast of Kandahar, military officials said. Information about the targets came into U.S. Central Command in Tampa, Fla., while Rumsfeld was visiting Tuesday afternoon.

Pentagon officials didn't say who may have been in the compound and possibly killed, though Rumsfeld told reporters "It clearly was a leadership area" and he said those targeted were "non-

Rumsfeld said the compound in southern Afghanistan was thought to hold leaders of the ruling Taliban militia, Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida organization and Wafa, a Saudi humanitarian aid organization that was among several groups named by the United States as alleged money conduits for bin Laden and his network.

A senior Taliban representative on Wednesday Mullah Mohammed Omar had been injured or homes and dragged them away.

Bush explains military tribunals to Spain, which has deep reservations WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush is taking

his case for military tribunals personally to Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar of Spain, whose government has refused to extradite al-Qaida suspects partly because it finds such secret trials unaccept-

Bush also was meeting with U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan. Closer to home, he was stepnomic stimulus package and bills on trade, energy

Spain has arrested 14 suspects allegedly linked to Osama bin Laden since Sept. 11, the date of the terror attacks on the United States that the Bush administration blames on bin Laden. Several of those in custody are believed to have given the hijackers logistical support.

Spanish officials say European Union directives prevent the detainees' extradition anywhere they would face a death penalty or trial by military court. Bush has approved military tribunals for foreign terrorism suspects, and he strongly favors the death penalty.

creating a special prosecutor to investigate reports that hundreds of leftists vanished while in government hands — by far the most dramatic move by any Mexican administration to lift the veil from

Fox ordered the position's creation Tuesday after Mexico's National Human Rights Commission presented a 3,000-page report concluding that. many of the 532 people who were reported as having disappeared in the 1970s and early 1980s had been seized by municipal, state or federal agents.

Human Rights Ombudsman Jose Luis Soberanes said that while his agency could confirm only 275 of the cases, further investigation might confirm

Muslim rebels release all remaining hostages in exchange for safe passage

ZAMBOANGA, Philippines (AP) — Eighty-nine bedraggled hostages — some smiling, some weeping — celebrated freedom Wednesday after their Muslim rebel captors and the Philippine government reached a face-saving deal.

Roughly 36 hours earlier, the 55 men, 25 women and nine children had been sleeping when rebels loyal to renegade Gov. Nur Misuari - who has denied speculation that the group's top leader been charged with rebellion - crept into their

series of assaults by war planes, helicopter gunforced march with both the guerrillas and government forces pointing weapons toward the hostages.

In the end, the rebels were allowed to keep their weapons, including rocket-propelled grenades, mortars and automatic rifles, move to another guerrilla camp 40 miles away and — at least temporarily - avoid prosecution.

Despite intense fighting Tuesday — 25 rebels, a soldier and a civilian reportedly died — the government claimed victory in freeing the hostages without further casualties and rooting out the

U.S.-Russia compromise on Iraq could lead to overhaul of sanctions

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United States at midnight Friday.

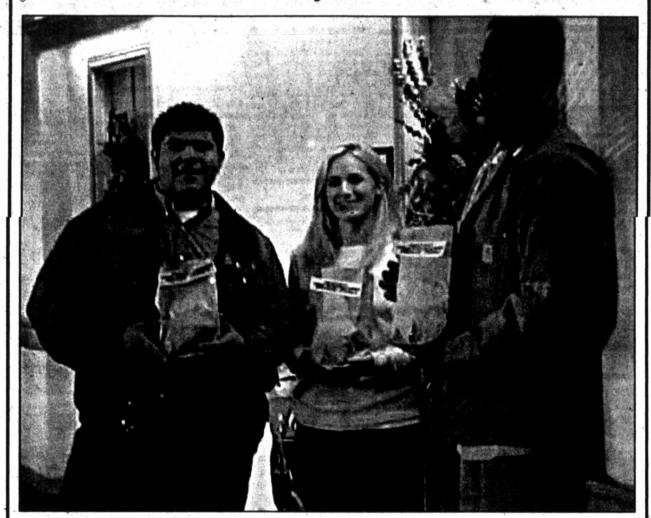
What followed was a nerve-racking standoff: A and Russia have reached a compromise to renew the U.N. humanitarian program in Iraq for anothships and infantry on a nearby rebel camp, then a er six months, a deal that could lead to an overhaul of sanctions against the oil-rich nation next year.

The compromise hinged on Russia's agreement to approve a new list of goods that would need U.N. review before shipment to Iraq, a key feature of an earlier U.S.-British proposal to overhaul sanc-

The United States in turn agreed to Russia's long-standing demand for "a comprehensive settlement" of the sanctions issue - including steps that would lead to lifting the 11-year-old military embargo.

A draft resolution incorporating the agreement was circulated to all 15 Security Council members on Tuesday night. The council was to hold closeddoor consultations Wednesday, and was expected to approve a resolution before the program expires

FCCLA 'Y.E.S. Project'



The Pampa High School FCCLA chapter is hard at work on their annual Y.E.S. (Youth Exchanging with Seniors) Project. Every year during the holiday season, the PHS FCCLA members prepare goody bags for Meredith House. Above delivering some goody bags are Edson Miranda, Brittany Kindle and Justin Lemons. Lemons, chapter and state president, said, "Our Y.E.S. Project is a huge success, and we love doing what we can for those who paved the path we now walk on."

Fourth suspect arraigned in alleged Columbine-style bomb plot

agreed to smuggle guns into her school for a Columbine-style rampage but later leaked the plan by warning a teacher has become the fourth teen charged in the case.

A fifth teen, an unidentified 16-year-old whose. involvement in the plot has not been released, was expected to be charged Wednesday.

Amy Lee Bowman pleaded innocent Tuesday to charges that included conspiracy to commit murder. Authorities say she was part of a plan to smuggle guns under black trenchcoats, detonate explosives and kill as many students and faculty as possible at New Bedford High School. The plot was allegedly focused on killing "thugs, preps and faculty."

Three other students — brothers Eric McKeehan, 17, and Michael McKeehan, 15; and Steven Jones, 15 were charged earlier in the plot. They pleaded innocent Monday to conspiracy to commit murder, possession of ammunition and other charges.

Unlike the other defendants, Bowman was freed until her next court appearance, Dec. 17.

"Sometimes we have to treat people differently based on the circumstances," prosecutor Raymond Veary said. Bowman, like Eric McKeehan, was charged as an adult. The two 15-year-olds were charged in juvenile

According to police, Bowman agreed to smuggle guns in and take part in the shooting, but tipped off her favorite teacher, Rachel Jupin, about the details of the plan because she did not want to see the woman killed. Jupin contacted the assistant headmaster, who even-

BOSTON (AP) — A 17-year-old girl who allegedly tioned Bowman, and the teen-ager disclosed the plot authorities said.

Police also learned of the plan through a note discovered by a janitor and other evidence.

Bowman told police that the McKeehans and Jones planned to videotape their killing spree, then climb onto the school's roof to smoke marijuana, drink alcohol and possibly take LSD before shooting each other.

Jupin told police that Bowman is "a good kid ... who has had a terrible life up to this point."

Bowman had stopped attending the school about a month before her arrest and had begun going to school in nearby Plymouth, Superintendent Joseph Silva said. Her lawyer, Andrew Peppard, did not immediately return a call for comment.

Neil Mello, 16, who was friends with the boys who were charged, told police during questioning that the teens planned to hide shotguns and other weapons under their trenchcoats and come out of a bathroom

Another boy told police that Mello had said the attackers would communicate with walkie-talkies, take photographs of the bodies, and "just leave them hanging around."

It was not clear if Mello was the fifth student to be charged.

The students allegedly modeled themselves after the two teen-agers who carried out the 1999 Columbine High School massacre near Littleton, Colo. Fifteen people were killed, including the two gunmen.

School and city officials said they believe the plan would probably have gone forward if authorities had

tually turned the matter over to police. Police quesnot intervened. PPHM to host 'Cowboy Christmas Celebration'

Christmas Celebration at the remind visitors of a more simple Panhandle-Plains Historical time. Museum in Canyon Dec. 7, 8 and 9. The 25th annual Christmas Open House adds a new gift to the magic of the season — The Christmas Waltz at T-Anchor. The Museum's T-Anchor Ranch house, built in the late 1870s, provides the perfect setting for a cow life of a panhandle cowboy.

Inside the museum, children's eyes will light up at the sight of Santa, waiting to hear their Christmas wishes. Parents are capture this special moment of antique sleigh in the midst of a and guitar they waltz and two-winter wonderland. and guitar they waltz and two-step the night away.

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CANYON — Join the Cowboy made from natural materials Christmas will echo throughout

Musical entertainment will be provided by several school groups and area choirs in the Derrick Room. While upstairs, in Storyteller's Corner, children will hear Christmas stories told in a Victorian setting.

Now its time to visit T-Anchor, camp Christmas, highlighting decorate the cow camp and authentic cowboy traditions in watch the Christmas waltz begin. the Texas Panhandle. Visitors The spirit of a panhandle cow will get a rare glimpse into the camp Christmas is captured in the music of cowboy poet Buck Ramsey's "Cowboy Christmas Waltz." First recorded in 1994 and then published as a book in 1996, the music and words invited to bring their camera to describe a simple-yet-rich moment shared by friends at their child with Santa in an Christmas time ... with fiddle

Join the fiddlers in the east Pioneer Town tell stories of life in annex for a bit of your own a small panhandle town in the waltzing and two-stepping. On late 1800s. The rancher's home, Friday, Dec. 8, and Saturday, Dec. shops and school house are filled 9, enjoy the music of the Burson with authentic domestic and Family and Friends. Lanny Fiel commercial articles. In Pioneer and the Ranch Dance Fiddle Hall, festive decorations and a Band will perform on Sunday

The sights and sounds of

the Museum. Visitors will be reminded of a bygone era and the joy of friends and family as they stroll through the museum and celebrate another Christmas

Generations of visitors have found this the perfect way to welcome the holiday season. Don't miss the Museum's 25th Annual Christmas Open House. There is no charge for this special event, scheduled from 7 - 9 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 7 and 8, and from 1 - 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 9.



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Come Back to Christmas Parade Nov. 29th



'Come Back to Christmas' promises day of fun



(Courtesy photo)

Amarillo Carriage owner Bryce Stater, left, takes Brenden Rice for a carriage ride during the 2000 "Come Back to Christmas" celebration.

Plan a full day of fun for everyone in the family when Pampa merchants present "Come Back to Christmas - A Victorian Celebration" on Saturday, Dec. 1.

Pampa businesses downtown, at Coronado Center, on Hobart Street, as well as throughout the city, are joining in the day-long event Saturday by offering special discounts, extended hours from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m., and drawings for gifts and door prizes.

Downtown merchants plan to dress in Victorian-era costumes. Sidewalk displays of crafts, baked goods, and other foods are to be set

Free carriage rides are to be provided in the downtown area again this year from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. Kids will have a chance to give their Christmas wish list to Santa, too.

Other holiday events scheduled Saturday include the Festival of Trees at M.K. Brown Auditorium, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Pampa Civic Ballet's presentation of "The Nutcracker" at 7 p.m. in M.K. Brown Auditorium; and, after dark, the Celebration of Lights at Recreation Park, East U.S. 60 next to the National Guard Armory.

"You've seen the traffic and crowded stores in Amarillo," organizers say. "No come see what Pampa has to

Pampa Civic Ballet presents 'The Nutcracker'

For three decades, Pampa Civic Ballet has presented one of the city's most popular Christmas traditions – "The Nutcracker" by Pyotr Iiyich Tchaikovsky.

This year, the performance is set for 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 1, at M.K. Brown Auditorium and will feature two guest artists, Tara Mora of New York and Dallas Lundquest, a native of Tokyo, Japan.

Three principal dancers for the current production, all former students of Director Jeanne Willingham, are Deanna McGill, a Pampa Civic Ballet member for 14 years; a Glennette Goode, a soloist for the local ballet company; and Amy Watson, a West Texas A&M graduate and former dancer with the Lone Star Ballet.

"The Nutcracker" tells the story in music and dance of a young girl and her Christmas dreams.



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November 29th
Beginning at 6:00 with a Downtown
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Center and ending with candy from
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Pampa stores will be open till 8:00 PM.

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"Come Back to Christmas" Stores will be open late to accommodate late shoppers. Stores will be dressed in Victorian costumes and some will offer Refreshments.

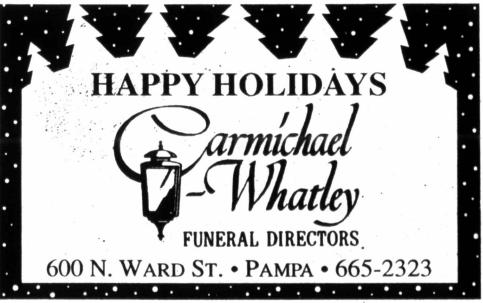
Also watch for the One Act Play & Nutcracker Performers.



Courtesy photo

Ken Rheams, left, of Rheams Diamond Shop and Chase Roach, right, of Tarpley Music Company are decked out in Victorian style clothing for "Come Back to Christmas."





Dear friends,

Once again, we're in the midst of the holiday season. This is my favorite time of the year, as I am sure, it is for many of you. Our family looks forward to driving around Pampa and the surrounding area, enjoying all of the beautiful lights and decorations.

The world is definitely a different world today than it was this time last year, but it is wonderful to be living in a community where Christmas is

much the same as it was decades ago.

Pampa offers so many opportunities during the Christmas season. The Chamber's Christmas Parade is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 29. Always a big hit, the parade remains something that both kids and grown-ups look forward to each year.

Saturday, Dec. 1, really gets things going with "Come Back to Christmas" activities taking place throughout town. This festive event, featuring a Victorian-style atmosphere along with great shopping, outside vendors, carolers, and complimentary carriage rides, promises to grow from year to year.

This Saturday's events also include the Pampa Civic Ballet's performance of "The Nutcracker" and opening day of Festival of Trees, both at M.K. Brown Auditorium.

Remember, too, that Pampa's spectacular Celebration of Lights is open nightly at Recreation Park through Dec. 31.

These are just a few of the many reasons that the holiday season is so special in the Pampa area. Be sure to get out and enjoy all that we have to offer in Pampa during this special time of year.

The Chamber and all of our merchants invite you to stop by our local stores and take a look at the fine products available at very competitive prices. Our merchants have worked hard to prepare their stores for your shopping convenience. Take some time and look for those special gift items right here in Pampa and the surrounding area. You will be glad you did. In addition, it will benefit our local economy which is good for everyone in

our community!

The staff of the Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Let's be sure to keep all of our men and women serving our country in the armed services around the world in our hearts and prayers. Their sacrifice allows us to have the opportunity to enjoy the holidays with our friends and family.

Sincerely,

Clay Rice, Executive Director Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce

Studies: Holidays bring out the best in people

CLEMSON, S.C. (AP) — The holidays are good for you. And surely, you can be good for the holidays, too.

"People a

"People aspire to be better, and setting aside specific days to celebrate certain ideals encourages people to keep reaching," observes Kelly Smith, philosophy professor at Clemson University who studies spiritual issues.

A day for thanks, a day for love, and a day to celebrate goodwill are reminders of the importance of these ideals, he says.

"It would be nice if everyone was kind to each other 365 days a year, but that's unrealistic. Everyone should, but no one could pull it off. That's why the holidays are important. They're used to further mankind's valuable moral principles and hopefully motivate the populace to help each other all year long."

There is at least one other positive aspect, he says: R&R. "People need the time off to relax, to enjoy their lives, and get away from the trials of work. People need an excuse to cheer up."



Special friends, family deserve special gifts

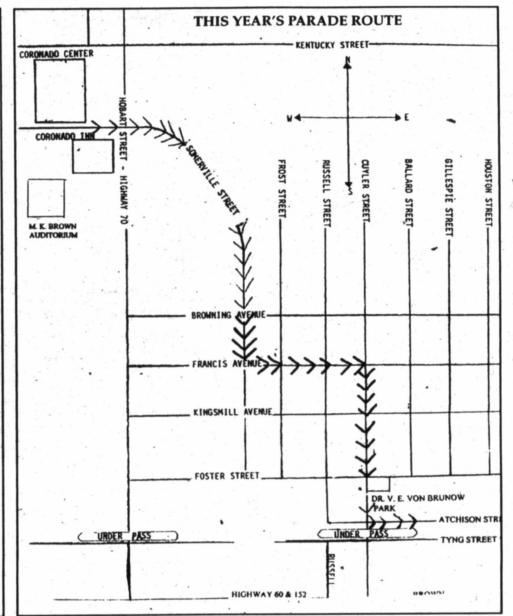
No doubt that person on your list could use a year's supply of socks, or another necktie. But your recipients will remember most the gift that demonstrates elegance, taste and thoughtfulness:

taste and thoughtfulness:

The Bradley Skylight, a stained glass tableau (\$59), 13 1/8- by 7 1/8 inches in opalescent amber, gold, white and pale green, is a copy of an original by Frank Lloyd Wright and can be found at MuseumCompany.com. The architect designed the skylight, based on an American Indian motif, for the Bradley House in Kankakee, Ill., one of his first Prairie-style houses. Http://www.museumcompany.com.

- Sunburst and crochet-stitch motifs figured in Louis Comfort Tiffany's circa 1906-1910 designs for necklaces and a tiara. Now Tiffany & Co. has drawn inspiration from his archive for its new diamond and platinum Tiffany Lace collection. The sunburst drop earrings (\$13,500) put out 12 brilliant "rays" of diamonds for maximum power.

-A set of four jewel-tone cased crystal vodka glasses (\$150), from Faberge and made in Russia, will bring a toast along with thanks.



2001 parade to celebrate Gray Co.'s centennial

The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce will once again sponsor the annual Christmas parade. This year's parade is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 29, at 6:30 p.m.

The theme this year is "A Centennial Christmas" in keeping with the upcoming Gray County 100th anniversary celebration.

Don Lane, 2000 Citizen of the Year, will be this year's Grand Marshall.

The parade will begin lining up in the M.K. Brown Auditorium parking lot at 5:30 p.m. The parade will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m.

Immediately following the parade, Santa and his elves will be at Dr. V.E. von Brunow Park at the corner of Foster and Cuyler streets to hand out candy and visit with the children.

Entry forms and parade rules can be picked up at the Chamber of Commerce office, 200 N. Ballard. For more information, call the Chamber at 669-3241.

Happy Holidays...

As Christmas draws near, we wish you a season with heart warming memories. We hope you take the time to enjoy he many holiday events Pampa has to offer this year with family and friends.



'That Night' offering new music, scenes

New music and new scenes bring pretty original," he said. new life to Central Baptist Church's 14th annual presentation of "That Night", a musical drama celebrating the first Christmas and life of Christ.

The annual event presented by members of Central Baptist Church, 513 E. Francis, will be performed at 7 p.m., Dec. 1-3, in the church auditorium. Pre-pageant music begins at 6:45 p.m.

A cast of 120 takes the audience back 2,000 years in a Christmas musical drama that portrays the life

Computerized lighting, sound, visual effects, costuming and an elaborate set enhance the audience's experience, says Zan Walker, pageant coordinator.

"But it's the simple message of the love, forgiveness and acceptance that Christ brought to this world that touches their heart and soul," he adds.

"This year, we're starting the prepageant music with a comedy men's handbells group. As far as we know, there's never been anything like this, at least not that we've heard of. It's

Opening the pageant this year will be a new first scene featuring Lonnie Shelton as a Roman centurion.

"You can't imagine what's happened in Jerusalem this last week," his dialogue begins.

Also new in this year's presentation are two dramatic confrontations between Jesus and the

The entry of the Wise Men has been "embellished," Walker says, with a new version of "We Three Kings" that is "celebrative and majestic" and includes interpretative choreography.

Three other new songs have been added to the pageant, also – "The Lord Is My Strength," "Behold He Has Come" and "Joseph's Song.

Cast members with starring roles include Rick Smith as Jesus; Karl Parks as Baby Jesus; Kelly Beesley as Mary; Bryan Frost as Joseph; and Paul Helms as Peter.

Complimentary tickets for all three presentations are available at the church office, Starkweather and Browning, or by calling 665-1631.



David Hutto stirs up a pot of his famous Kettlecorn (German popcorn). He was one of the food vendors during the 2000 "Come Back to Christmas".

Local library plans special holiday programs for kids

Pampa Lovett Memorial Library staff plan three special holiday events for youngsters this December, beginning with a "cookie decorating" program on Saturday, Dec. 1.

Children aged 18 months to first grade are invited to come to the library, 111 N. Houston, to decorate cookies from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Saturday. Library staff will provide the cookies, frosting and other decorating materials. It's free to all and parents are welcome to attend.

On Saturday, Dec. 8, the library will host a free Christmas Tree decoration program for kids in second grade and older. Decorations will be made from compact discs and glue guns, sharp scissors, and other items. The library will provide all needed materials. The 90-minute program begins at 10 a.m.

Pre-School Story Time's Christmas Party and last program of the year is set for 10 a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 18. All children aged 18 months to 5 years old are invited to attend. Library staff members will supply stories, a craft project, punch and plates and utensils. Everyone who attends is asked to bring their favorite Christmas treat.

For more information, contact the library at 669-5780. Sign-up for the Saturday programs immediately.



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Gold-finished Christmas ornament highlights Gray County's centennial.

Ornament to commemorate Gray County 100th birthday

A 24-karat gold-finished Christmas ornament will be available the first week in December, highlighting Gray County's Centennial year, 2002.

The ornament can also be placed on a stand that will be included in an attractive box for gift-giving. The art-piece displays the tourism, petroleum and agricultural features of Gray County, which is marked with a star in the upper part of

The ornament will sell for \$10 and local businesses will take orders. The boxed ornament is on display at Tarpley's Music Co. and Rheams Diamond Shop downtown.

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A total of 500 ornaments have been ordered.

Designed locally, the original ornament includes a Route 66 sign and the courthouse — which is part

of the National Register district in Pampa; a field of older, distant oil towers with modern pumpjacks in the foreground to represent the petroleum industry; a cow and head of wheat for agriculture.

The art-piece is produced by ChemArt, manufacturer of original etched collectibles and an ISO 9001 registered company of Lincoln, R.I. ChemArt was founded in 1976 and manufactures the ornaments for the State of Texas.

According to the manufacturer, "the gold finish has a high-perceived value and is nonreactive with most elements in the atmosphere."

The company also makes other memorabilia, including book marks, page clips and lapel pins, with each collectible especially designed.

All proceeds will go toward the Centennial fund.

Red, white & blue replaces red, green

AP – For many, this year's holiday colors are red, white and blue, and for causes related to the Sept. 11 disasters:

- One of the most dazzling is the "Stars 'n' Stripes" glass paperweight (\$99.50) from Caithness Glass, designed by Helen MacDonald. It features swirling stripes in all three colors and free-floating stars. Sales benefit the World Trade Center Relief Fund.

Phone: 1 (800) 452-7987; http://www.caithnessglass.co.uk.

- Wear your heart on your sleeve — or your lapel. The Brave Heart pin by Swarovski (\$35) has a stars and stripes design in crystals encased in a silver heart. Swarovski is making a \$100,000 donation to the September 11th Fund, established by the United Way and New York Community Trust.

It's available in department stores around the nation. Phone: 1 (800)

- Last January, Christopher Radko designed a heart-shaped, stars-and-stripes "Braveheart" ornament (\$34), and it had already become one of his firm's best sellers. Since the Sept. 11 tragedy, he has designated profits to go to the American Red Cross in Greater New York.

Phone: 1 (800)71-RADKO; Web: http://www.christopherradko.com.

- "We Are The Eagle In The Storm" is a painting inspired, artist D. Morgan says, by ABC newswoman Diane Sawyer's explanation on Good Morning America that the bald eagle is the only bird unafraid to fly in a storm. Morgan's painting shows the eagle in flight against background of a flying flag and firemen raising another flag. Sale of the 20- by 16-inch print (\$60, or \$140 framed) will benefit the NY Firefighters 9-11 Disaster Relief Fund. Morgan also will sell her original oil and donate its entire sale price to the fund.

Phone: 1 (877) 210-3456; Web: mtimmcgcollections.com.

- Winsome "I Love America" boy or girl (\$188) by Reva Schick for Lee Middleton Original Dolls are babies dressed in classic denims; she wears a denim shirt covered with stars and stripes, paired with a fleecy vest; his romper sweater had a patriotic heart and slogan, "I Love America." There's also a "When I Grow Up" firefighter doll (\$198), dressed in yellow slicker and red fireman's hat. The girl or boy sales will benefit the New York State World Trade Center Relief Fund; sales of the firefighter will benefit the International Association of Firefighters.

Phone: 1 (800) 242-3285; Web: http://www.leemiddleton.com.







Holiday Home Tour helps raise funds for student loan program

The sixth annual Holiday Home Tour, sponsored by the 20th Century Cotillion Study Club, is set for 1-4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 9, featuring four landmark residences.

For the first time this year, the T.D. Hobart House at Hobart and Alcock streets will be open to the public. Other homes scheduled for the tour include the Curry's home at 721 N. Russell, the Lowes' house at 1710 Mary Ellen and the Smith's residence at 2629 Chestnut.

Funds raised from the \$10 tour tickets got to Opportunity Plan Inc. (OPI). OPI offers low interest loans and scholarships to help area college students meet their educational expenses.

Almost 700 students from the Pampa area have been assisted through this program.

The 20th Century Cotillion, which began raising funds for OPI in the 1950s, now has a balance of \$105,007.81 in it's division at OPI – all raised from individual donations and fund raisers like the Holiday Home Tour.

Their division currently has eight students enrolled in college.

Tickets for the Holiday Home Tour are available from any club member prior to the tour. The are also available at any of the four homes on the day of the tour.



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Lacey Eddins of Skellytown, left, and her daughter Jan Cory of Pampa, right, look for Christmas gifts at Beall's Department Store in the Coronado Center.

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Green ways to 'deck the halls'

AP – Decorations are much like the holidays themselves: the valuable ornaments you collect underline your personal traditions, and the perishable greenery disappears with each year's

The ones based on fresh greenery and fruits are celebrated at Colonial Williamsburg, which has a hardcover book, "Christmas Decorations from Williamsburg," with instructions and advice about making your own wreaths, table pieces, mantel, stairwell, door and window swags, cones, topiaries, and tree ornaments.

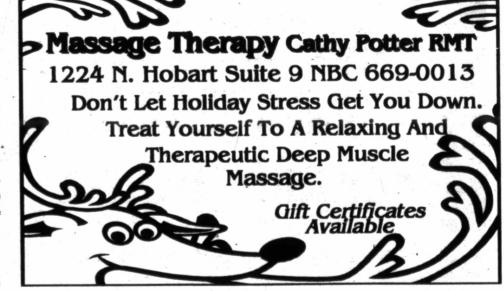
For example, you can use apples, oranges, lemons, pineapples, pomegranates, nuts, pods, cotton

bolls, holly, pine cones, feathers and greenery of various kinds in creating your own wreath, according to author Susan Hight Rountree.

Those intriguing towers of fruit for the table are simpler to create than you may think, say people at the museum. Just impale the fresh fruit on wooden cone forms that are studded

Make a pattern with the fruits, or just place them at random. Put boxwood sprigs or other greens between the fruits to add interest and conceal the form. Mount the cone on a cardboard circle edged with magnolia or other flat, shiny leaves for the finishing touch.





Wide range of toys choices available this year

By The Associated Press

"No day can be so sacred but that the laugh of a little child will make it holier still." — Robert G. Ingersoll, 1833-1899.

"The only way to describe the overwhelming number of toys we've reviewed this year is that they are bossy and intrusive. Toys are no longer the props kids use to enhance their play. Instead toys are being designed to dictate the way kids will play." — Joanne, Stephanie and James Oppenheim, "The Oppenheim Toy Portfolio," 2002 edition.

"It is both normal and healing for children to be reenacting the devastating events of September 11 while playing with blocks, Legos, fire trucks and action figures. These are the types of toys kids will be asking for this holiday season." — Miriam Arond, editor-in-chief, Child magazine.

To a parent, toys are aids to a child's development. To a child, toys are nothing more than a way to have fun. Whatever the attitude, choices are wide and thought-provoking. A brief sampling of what you'll find in Toyland this season:

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customers. But in the toy world, bears are always cuddly friends.

monkeyshines from Wild Republic are up to new tricks this year, dressed for all the occasions you can think of.

Ar. example is a timid little bear called Digby, star of Bear & Company's "Digby in Disguise" (\$45 for a set with 12-inch bear dressed in T-shirt and shorts, with a storybook). There are add-ons, such as the costumes (\$12) Digby wears to disguise himself as a dragon or red-caped superhero.

Web:http://www.BearandCo.com. And for older bear hunters, of all ages, there are Vermont Teddy Bears. Check out this year's special Winter Wonderland set (\$199), with Snow King and Snow Queen bears, dressed in satin robes with furry trim.

Phone: 1 (800) 829-BEAR; Web: http://www.VermontTeddyBear.com.

- Doubles for real animals, My Twinn poseable kittens (\$39.95 for a 10-inch kitten, \$24.95 for a small kitten) come in all kinds of breeds, such as Siamese, Persian, orange tabby, calico, gray and white, and black. There are accessories, too, such as collars with little bells (\$8.95 for three), dish and mouse sets (\$6.95-\$7.95) and even a kitten house (\$19.95).

Phone: 1 (800) 469-8946; Web: http://www.mytwinnpets.com.

Those long-limbed

monkeyshines from Wild Republic are up to new tricks this year, dressed for all the occasions you can think of. There might be a squirrel monkey in a baseball uniform, or a gibbon in a Hawaiian shirt and shorts. Wild Wear outfits (\$4.95-\$7.95) for the monkeys (and lions, tigers, or bears) you already may own will be available separately after the first of the year; meanwhile, look for new plush animals in costumes now (\$12.95-\$14.95).

- Come Here Blue (\$29.99) by Fisher-Price is an interactive plush version of Nickelodeon's Blues Clues pup who responds with a barks and bounces.

- Don't forget your avian friends. Charles and Florence (each \$12) are plush mallard ducks, by Purr-Fection by MJC, who have authentically detailed markings. Then there's the update on a kid's bathtub companion, the rubber duck. Rubba Ducks (under \$10) Commonwealth are themed collectibles; choose Cowduck in his sombrero and bandanna, targetringed Sitting Duck, Ducktape with his toolbelt, Better Duck with his bandage, and others.

Oh, You Beautiful Dolls

- Kit is a child of the Great Depression, circa 1934, and she's the

newest American Girl story doll from the Pleasant Company. Dressed in a lilac twinset and floral linen skirt, this 18-inch blond charmer is \$90 with a "Meet Kit" hardcover book. Check out other outfits and accessories via catalog or Web site.

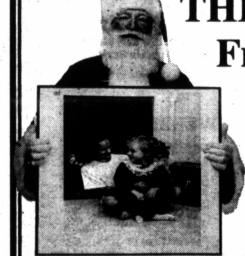
Phone: 1 (800) 845-0005; Web: http://www.americangirl.com.

- One of the newest toddlers to arrive from Lee Middleton Original Dolls is the Playtime Wonder (\$99.99), a smaller 20-inch version of the company's realistic life-size dolls. She comes dressed in a frilly flowered dress and patent leather shoes and carries a trunk full of goodies including a alphabet-decorated blue romper and short-sleeved shirt, sandals and socks, a purse, and comb and brush set. The trunk has fascinating cubbyholes, wardrobe pole, vanity mirror and drawers.

- The Miracle Moves baby (\$49.99) from Mattel-Toyinnovation moves and responds to things around her light, sound, time of day. She's 20 inches with what Mattel calls Superflex Animation technology, using more than 20 soft-touch sensors in hands, feet, tummy, chest, back and face to behave like a real 6-month-old baby.

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- An engaging 18-inch Madeline ragdoll (\$49.99) by the Learning Curve appears this year in a special edition velveteen dress with lace underskirt, wearing a medallion necklace. She has a new 16-inch friend, Danielle (\$25.99), whose wardrobe can be expanded with ragdoll outfits (about \$14 each).

· Being twins with their real-life sisters, the My Twinn dolls can be geared up for their owners' active lifestyles. For example, both girls and dolls can be outfitted in matching Plum Yummy fleece T-shirts and cotton/spandex leggings (\$51.95 for both sets) for wintry outings. Custom-order the basic 23-inch My Twinn doll wearing a nightshirt by providing a photo of the human "twin" along with information about eye, hair and other characteristics. Prices vary depending on when you order and whether you specify a soft or poseable doll; a non-poseable soft doll will be \$119.95 if ordered before Nov. 23 for Christmas delivery. Both girl and boy dolls are available.

Phone: 1 (800) 469-8946; Web: http://www.mytwinn.com.

A Disney princess comes to life as My Interactive Princess Cinderella (\$49.99-\$59.99), from Playmates. This large doll comes with two sets of clothes — her scullery maid everyday wear and her princess-style ballgown.

 The long-reigning doll queen, Barbie, shows up as a dancer for "The Nutcracker" this season. Sugarplum Princess Barbie (about \$20) from Mattel dances on a special stand.

Toys Imitate Life

- A toddler fascinated by what Mommy or Daddy do in the kitchen will cook up her own fun with the Discover Sounds Kitchen (\$30) from Little Tikes. Putting a pot or pan on the stovetop will produce boiling or frying sounds; an oven timer ticks Movers, Shakers, Builders

You know what happens when a kid gets interested in a discarded carton or box: he tries to make something out of it. The Buildin' Box (\$49.95) by Kids Studio Works builds on this idea with a cardboard playhouse that's a simple, barn-like structure with basic architectural forms. The designing urge continues with the help of a design tool kit with more than 100 graphic elements, glue stick and Creative Workbook. There are two removable interior/exterior Developed with the National Lekotek Center, the figure is ready to rescue from his wheelchair.

- Frodo Baggins, his sidekick Sam Gamgee, Aragorn, the Wizard and other fantasy figures from J.R.R. Tolkien's classic trilogy, "Lord of the Rings," come to 2-inch life in a tabletop game (\$39.95), by Games Workshop. Fight the Forces of Darkness, just in time for the movie opening in December.

- No doubt you already know about that other movie that's coming. Tie "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" in with Harry's Levitating Challenge (\$34.99) by Mattel. All beginning students at Hogwarts need to learn levitation, and the game offers 200 course combinations to challenge and refine this skill.

Bugged - Yech. It's a big bug. But your kid will think it's cool. It's one of the B.I.O. Bugs (\$39.99 each) by Hasbro that has what's called "nervous network technology." That means it reacts when it meets up with a wall, another bug, your foot, or whatever, just like a real bug. It can run by itself or be controlled by a transmitter. There are four versions, each in a different color and defined by a characteristic: red for Predator, blue for Stomper, green for Destroyer, and vellow for Acceleraider.

Simple Fun

- A magnet can be more than just something to stick to the fridge. Dowling has come up with a GeoPuzzle Magnetic U.S. Map (\$24.95) that's like a jigsaw puzzle. Each piece shows some of the natural wonders and attributes of each state; the playboard shows the state capitals. For more casual fun, try one of the company's magnetic dart boards, a safe way to play darts, since there aren't any points. The Large Dart Board is \$12.95.

- An old pastime gets some new looks from Little Kids, with their bubble blowing kits. How about Bubblin' Glitter Bugs (\$2.99 for one bug with bubble solution, or \$4.99 for a two-pack)? Blow into the bug's tail, and out come bubbles from its mouth while its wings flutter.

You know what happens when kids get interested in a discarded carton or box: they try to make something out of it.

until a bell sounds. Set comes with trays, eight signs and two sets of bowls and utensils.

Older kids may already have picked up on that urge to redecorate. AG Minis from American Girl are miniature rooms set up on power platforms, so the lights really work. Most of the room starter sets (\$96) have furnishings in funky mod styles. such the Groovy Platform model that has a sofa with big print upholstery, dome lamp, green lounge chair and other mid-century accessories.

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fabric curtains.

The log cabin kit is a perennial favorite from grandpa's generation. The Log Cabin Block Set (\$45) from T.C. Timber is a new version, with 58 hardwood beech blocks that lets children build their own prairie-style homes or anything else that pops into their imaginations.

Big imaginations may want to bring a railroad into town. Brio's Wooden Railway system expands and expands. One way to start is the 25piece Mountain Action Figure 8 Set (\$39.95) with a two-way batteryoperated engine and stop-and-go track and mechanical switch. There is, naturally, a little mountain to go over and under, via a tunnel.

Put a kid in The Driver's Seat (\$49.99) by Tyco. Each of the two construction vehicles — a dump truck and a front loader — has a controller that lets the young person in charge lower the bed of the dump truck or bucket of the front loader. The action is accompanied by construction-like sounds.

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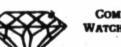
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- It's one of the most famous books ever written for children, and it has been reissued with Arthur Rackham's turn-of-the-century drawings. It's "Grimm's Fairy Tales" (SeaStar Books, \$19.95 hardcover), by Jacob Ludwig Carl Grimm and Wilhelm Carl Grimm, with a new afterword by Peter Glassman. The favorites are here: The Frog Prince, Red Riding Hood, Rapunzel, The Golden Goose, Hansel and Grethel, Tom Thumb, and more.

- Speaking of Tom Thumb, there's a new take on this character, in "The Adventures of Tom Thumb" (SeaStar Books, \$15.95 hardcover), retold by Marianna Mayer, with pictures by K.Y. Craft. Tiny Tom perseveres and triumphs yet again in this telling, with illustrations inspired by 12th century illuminated manuscripts.

- And yet another Grimm tale is retold in "Mother Holly" (North South Books, \$15.95 hardcover), by Johan Warren Stewig, with illustrations by Johanna Westerman.

- Many children today are far removed from the immigrant experience, but "Apples and Angel Ladders" (Fitzhenry & Whiteside, \$20 hardcover), by Irene Morck with illustrations by Muriel Wood, tells

them what it was like for a Danish family celebrating its first Christmas in North America.

- Inspired by the master of the lowercase, Chris Raschka celebrates capitally with "Little Tree" (Hyperion, \$16.99 hardcover), e.e. cumming's poem about a little tree, "more like a flower." Raschka starts with the poem, then builds (and illustrates) a story about how a Christmas tree leaves the forest and comes home in a taxi to a city family.

For Adults (and Intelligent Kids)

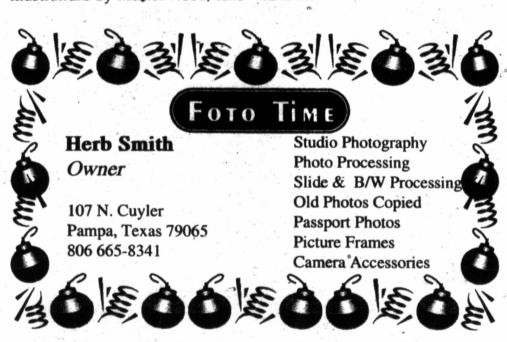
 American folk art — primitive painting, decorated furniture and pottery, religious decoration, sculpture, scrimshaw, woodworking, and other forms - are surveyed in "American Radiance" (Abrams, \$75 hardcover), by Stacy C. Hollander. They're all from the Ralph Esmerian collection recently given to the American Folk Art Museum in New York City.

"American Impressionism" (Abbeville Press, \$85 hardcover), by William H. Gerdts, has been reissued in an updated edition of the 1984 original. It shows how American artists such as Childe Hassam, Edmund Tarbell and others were influenced by and held their own against the impressionist masters in Europe in the late 19th and early 20th



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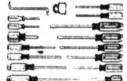
Michele Callus of Albuquerque, N.M., left, admires Rheams Diamond Shop's Christmas decorations with Ken Rheams, center, and Pampa residents, Shelby and Sharon Rose, right.





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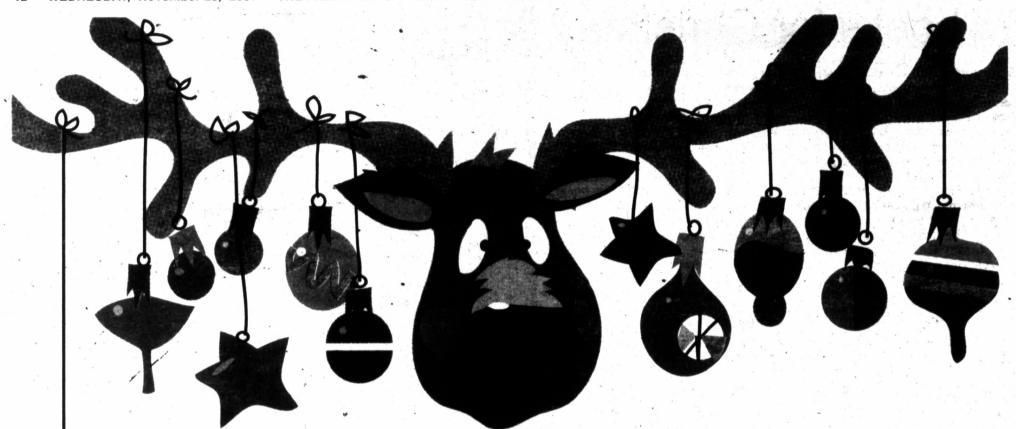
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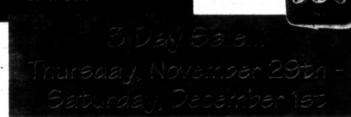
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